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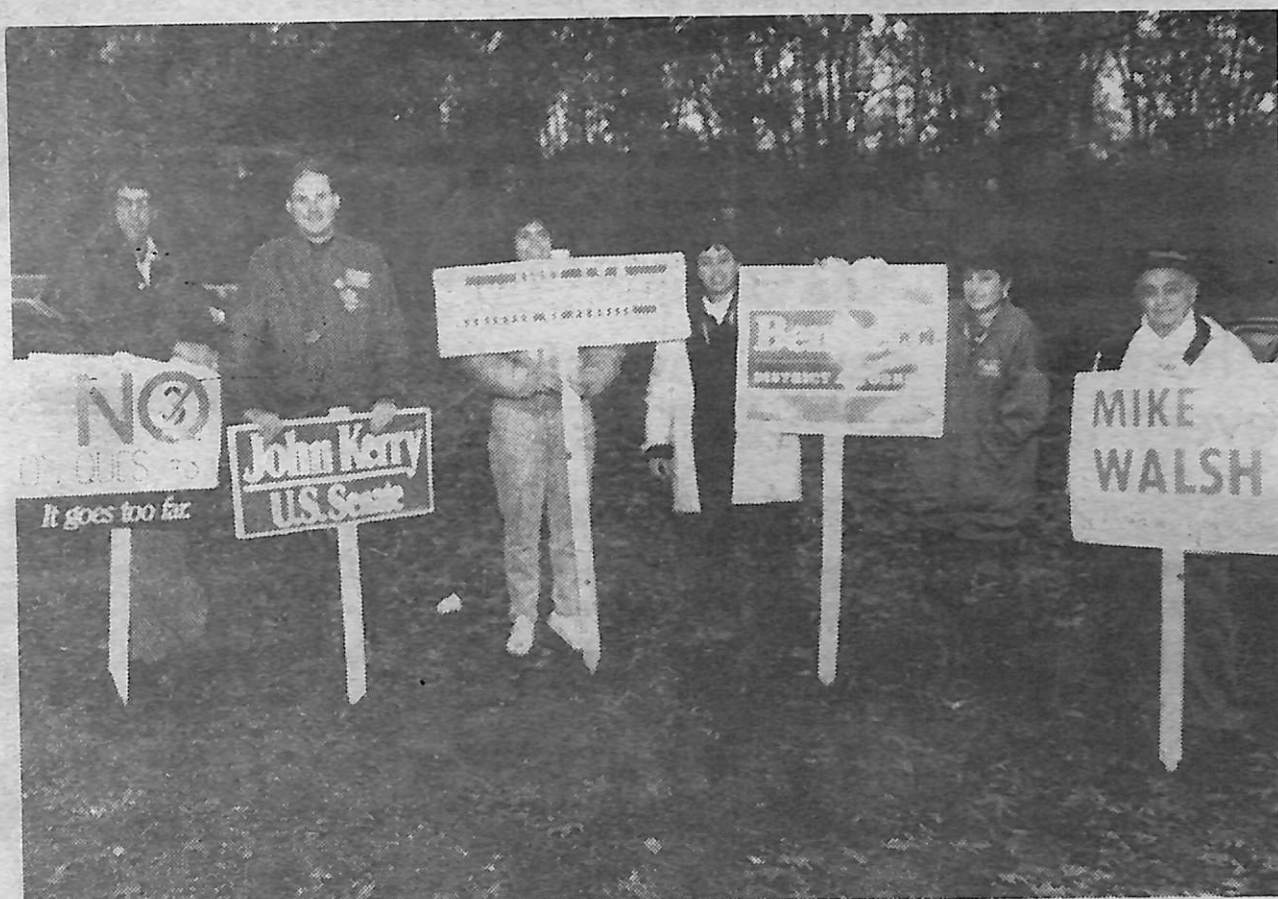


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All Winners Here...



AGAWAM RESIDENTS, from left - Alan Boissonneault, Scott Letendre, Christina Calabrese, Linda Pisano, Sue Pisano, and Henry Alvigini were all holding signs for winners on Election Day. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ROBINSON PARK POLL WORKERS ODETTIE BENJAMIN and MARLENE GRASSO had a very busy day checking off names on Tuesday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

State Rep. Race...

Walsh Runs Landslide To Boston

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Although incumbent State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) won reelection by a huge margin, political newcomer James D. Taylor (R-Agawam) was offering no regrets over his landslide loss in his first attempt at public office.

Walsh maintained nearly a 3-1 margin over Taylor in the battle for the 3rd Hampden District seat, and that margin included 7,138 to 2,604 in the district's largest battleground of Agawam. From those numbers it was apparent Walsh had the day won very early.

Informal exit polls conducted by *The Advertiser News* during the day also showed Walsh far ahead of Taylor.

In Southwick, Walsh coasted by garnering 1,653 votes to Taylor's 853.

Walsh also won the district's hill towns of Granville, Blandford, Chester, and Tolland.

Walsh, 34, will enter his fifth term in Boston in January. His victory was larger than expected mainly due to the anti-incumbent sentiment expressed by voters throughout the campaign.

Walsh ran a campaign that advocated the completion of the Route 57 expansion between Agawam and Southwick, and pledged to push for a retreat in state spending and a reduction in overall state government. He was an opponent of the Question 3 "tax rollback" which was also soundly defeated on Tuesday.

Walsh also operated a razor sharp campaign that took little for granted, aiming to leave voters with no doubt about his record and accomplishments.

One hallmark for Walsh was keeping the Hampden County Jail out of open space in Feeding Hills. Walsh led an intense front waged by Agawam residents to this end for several years. The jail is now earmarked for Ludlow.

Walsh plans to cement a working relationship with the new administration in Boston before tackling the issues his constituency is concerned with, including local aid, availability of adequate health care, environmental issues, public safety, the budget and education.

Taylor was outspent by Walsh "30 to 1," the newcomer says. Taylor said he was under the gun from the outset. However, he did run a very low key campaign right up until the final two weeks of Election Day.

Taylor believes the amount of money in a candidates "war chest" says "quite a lot about what these races are all about" and says he is not ruling out future bids for public office.

"I believe I have something to offer, and my decision to enter this race was not an attack on Walsh but rather a choice of which job I could conceivably obtain and be successful at," Taylor says, admitting his bid against the popular Walsh "was a longshot."

"But I hate to see any candidate run unopposed."

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WALSH - from Page 1...

Walsh, a 1974 graduate of Agawam High School, served as legislative aide to Republican State Rep. Edward W. Connelly prior to his election in 1982.

In winning Connelly's seat, Walsh first soundly won a hotly-contested Democratic Primary and then thrashed Southwick Republican Ruth Connor in the general election.

Walsh has run uncontested the last three terms and judging from what happened on Tuesday, it's easy to see why.

FIRE-WISE

by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

Heater Safety A Must!

So much has been said lately about the advantages and disadvantages of alternative heating sources such as kerosene heaters and wood stoves that the Agawam Fire Department would like to remind you of the following safety procedures to insure that your standard home heating system is properly maintained.

- Have a professional check and service your heating system every fall. They will look for possible worn out parts, frayed wiring, and blocked heating ducts.

- Keep flammable material away from heat vents. Teach children not to touch those vents as some vents can become very warm while the heating system is in use.

- Electric space heaters should be used only under adult supervision.

- When purchasing an electric space heater, look for a seal from a nationally recognized testing agency, such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL).

- Make sure that the electric cord is in good condition, not frayed.

- Regular household extension cords should not be used with an electric heater. The heaters draw too much electricity and will overload the cord.

- Never put a portable electric heater in a child's bedroom. In an attempt to get warm quickly, they may pull the heater too close to the bed, which could ignite the blankets on the bed.

Agawam Crime Prevention...**Growing Concern About Satanism**by Officer Wayne Macey
Crime Prevention Bureau

In a world where adults continue to send money to Jim and Tammy Fay Baker's Dog & Pony Show, is it any wonder that children are equally lost in their search for someone or something in which to believe?

Low self-esteem and a lack of purposeful direction is responsible for sending kids, and indeed many adults, into a world where gratification comes in the form of torture, self-mutilation, and animal sacrifice.

Such is the ritualistic behavior associated with **Teen Satanism**. It would appear that the most vulnerable are adolescents ranging from age 11 to age 17. They come from all walks of life and many are from upper and middle class families. They are under and over-achievers, creative and curious, some are rebellious, and still others have been physically and sexually abused.

Satanism is practiced at public concerts, in schools, and at game clubs. Private ceremonies are sometimes held in wooded areas or at a friend's home. The following are some of the signs which may be exhibited by those who would in one way, shape, or form worship the devil. One of these signs by itself may be harmless, but together they may spell trouble on the horizon.

- ★ A preference for punk or heavy metal music.

- ★ A compulsive interest in the occult, demonstrated by the finding of satanism and witchcraft literature. This literature could include notes and drawings depicting torture and mutilation; school assignments dwelling on death, suicide, and the occult.

- ★ Chemical and alcohol abuse.

- ★ A morbid interest in edged weapons, box openers, razors, and knives.

- ★ Self-inflicted wounds and mutilation. Usually the carving or cutting of occult symbols into their own flesh.

- ★ Compulsive note and letter writing to and from friends.

- ★ Violent and aggressive behavior, directed towards parents and siblings. Extremely violent in stressful situations.

- ★ A reluctance to divulge information relating to devil worship, down-playing their involvement.

- ★ Extremely low morality standards in regards to sex; sex parties, prostitution, and other sexual involvement, including sadomasochism and necrophilia.

- ★ High truancy rate; repeated runaways.

- ★ Petty larceny and other forms of theft.

- ★ Radical hairstyles (punk types) and clothing styles (studs and spikes on black leather).

- ★ Decline in scholastic achievement. Lower grades in those described as bright and previously good students.

- ★ Use of an alias taken from the occult; dungeons and dragons and other non-Christian sources.

- ★ Definite aversion to anything Christian.

- ★ Speech using lots of slang and profanity.

- ★ A liking for blood.

- ★ Obnoxious and antisocial behavior.

- ★ Bizarre cruelty; focus is on mutilation, knifings, tormentings and torture, especially against the elderly. Animal mutilations.

- ★ Satanic alters built of flat boards and rocks, often have satanic symbols drawn on them, usually found in yards, abandoned houses, fields, desert areas, caves and under bridges.

- ★ The development of a compulsive interest in role playing games.

As witnessed above, the signs are many and strange. Although there is no need to become overly concerned, there is evidence that satanism is on the rise in all areas of the country. Allowed to go on unchecked, the symptoms of this disease can combine to have a devastating effect on both life and property.

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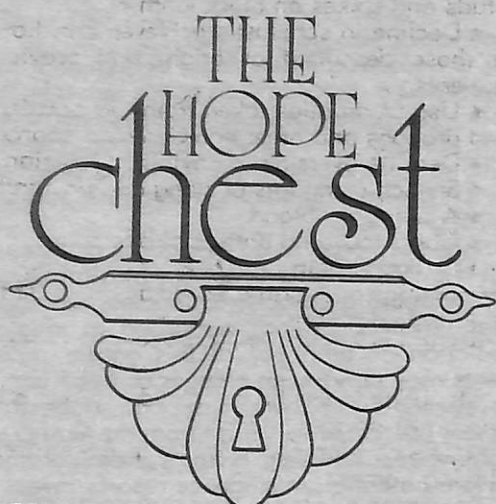
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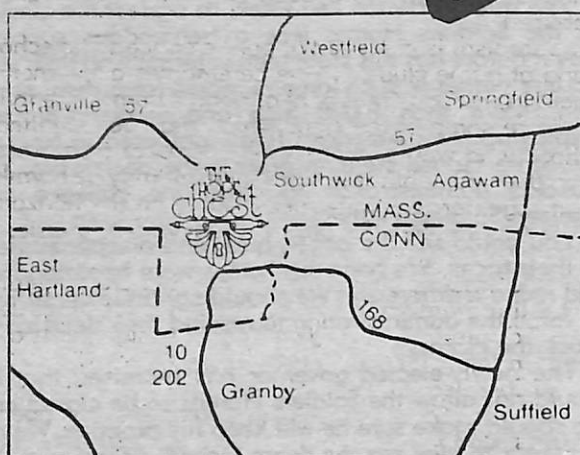
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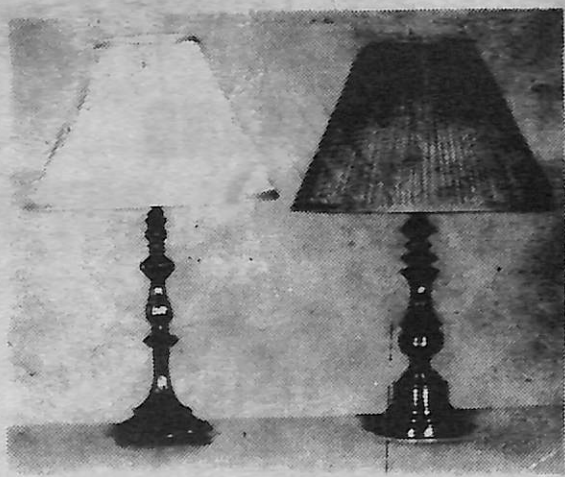
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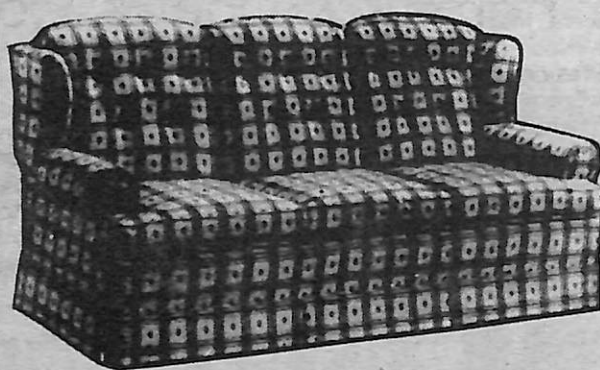
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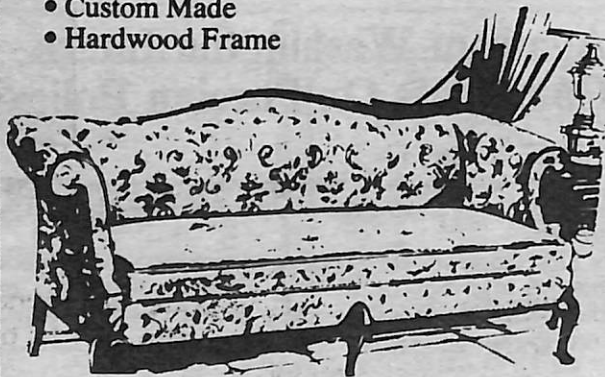


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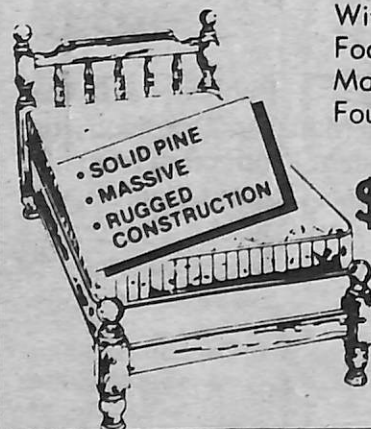


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Letters To The Editor

Agawam CROP Committee Reports Another Good Effort

To The Editor:

Thanks to a good effort by those who participated in the Agawam/West Springfield CROP Hunger Walk in May, hungry people in our area will get help.

A belated thank-you to all who helped by walking, sponsoring, and organizing.

A special thanks to *The AAN* for the great coverage, and to their people for walking.

A great big thank-you to our Police Department for getting 175 walkers safely through the traffic.

The walk produced \$12,314.80, which was down from the \$15,000 in '89, however the number of walkers was also down. The \$3,078.70 which is the local share, was divided equally between Open Pantry West Springfield and Springfield Open Pantry. The balance of the monies go to national and worldwide hunger-related problems.

1991 will be our 10th Annual CROP Walk. No date has been set yet but *The AAN* will have it for you at a later date.

More people are needed on the planning and organizing committee. Please contact Bob Broga, 786-7720 (evenings or Tuesdays) if you are interested in helping this worthwhile cause.

The Agawam/West Springfield CROP Walk Committee

Morale In Local Government At Rock Bottom Says Resident

To The Editor:

It seems the morale in our local government is at rock bottom. It's no wonder. It's our Mayor who still insists on having total authority.

First it was Mr. Young he tried to fire, who in turn filed an age discrimination charge at 51 years-old. He got shot down on that one. Mr. DiClementi has been more or less forced to retire at 62, after 17 years in his position. Mr. Johnson's comment about people being hired in Agawam because of friendship and political affiliations should be retracted. When he took office didn't he give a friend of his a job in town? Isn't this political affiliation?

Our building inspectors are Agawam residents. Why all of a sudden are they no longer qualified? Is it because they were politically affiliated?

Mr. Johnson, when you were elected, did you have the experience and qualifications needed to be a Mayor? No! Why do you want a small council? The smaller the town council, the less people you'd have to oppose your ideas when they are wrong. Leave the council alone. It's a good thing we have older and experienced members on the council, because of the past kindergarten-like behavior of the new members. I think the residents realize that we elected the wrong man for the first mayor. Your past actions and decisions have proven that.

You tried to fire Mr. Young because you thought he was too old ("51"). You were ready to let Mr. Urbanati go because 11 years is not good qualifications, yet he is 39. Do you think since you have been Mayor, that you are qualified and experienced after 17 months in office? You are 28. How do you judge qualifications? You don't have any yourself.

If friendship or political affiliations result in an Agawam resident being hired for town positions, so be it. If they have experience, and are qualified, and 11 years on a job certainly qualifies Mr. Urbanati (you have one year), he should have been considered first; or Mr. DiClementi who really didn't want to retire.

This is a town, Mr. Johnson, not a city. If we were as big as Springfield, or New York, it would justify needing someone with Mr. Ferret's background, but we are not. You will never succeed in turning this into a city, because the residents don't want it. We don't need the headaches, the crime, drugs, and traffic. Agawam is a beautiful town, don't try to spoil it.

An added message to the Conservation Commissioner, which I was instructed to send.

The Grass is Growing!!!

**June T. Boissonault
Agawam**

Rally For Soldiers Home Proves Great Success!!!

To The Editor:

The rally in Boston last week to protest the closing of the Soldiers Homes was a tremendous success. Never before has this state seen veterans and their supporters gather in such large numbers for a demonstration. More than 8,000 men and women, proudly displaying their American flags, gathered in front of the State House steps to protest the decision of the Dukakis administration to close the Holyoke and Chelsea Soldiers Homes.

You could see the anger, hurt, and disappointment in their faces. We hope our voices were heard and we will make a difference. We should continue our efforts to force the administration to rescind their decision to close the Homes.

The newly-elected governor has promised that he would not allow the Soldiers Homes to be closed and we should make sure he will keep his promise. We do not want to ever see the doors locked. Along with the veterans, many elected officials took part in the rally and spoke defending the rights of the veterans and against the closing of both Homes. U.S. Senator John Kerry and U.S. Representative Joseph Kennedy were among the many speakers.

The Agawam representation was very large and impressive. We had a full bus which was provided by the American Legion. Among the Agawam contingent were Mayor Christopher Johnson, Senator Linda Melconian, Representative Michael Walsh, Council President Richard Brindle, School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin, Town Clerk Richard Theroux, former Town Treasurer David Gallano, former Councilor Louis Russo, former MOCA Director Patrick Nolan, former Police Chief Ken Grady, and myself. Veterans Agent Ruth Bitzas and her assistant Diane Moreau did a wonderful job coordinating the trip. Due to illness they were unable to make the trip themselves.

It was a wonderful day for all of us; even the weather was on our side. We as Americans must continue and be united to support those who have fought for our freedom and our country in the past and those young men and women who continue to defend our values, principles, and national interest in the sands of Saudi Arabia and the waters of the Persian Gulf.

**George Bitzas
Town Councillor**

Agawam Washington Intern Comments On Foreign Policy

To The Editor:

In the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, President Bush's call to arms was a rightful decision on two fronts:

First, to send forth a powerful message that America has no intention of allowing a cold, calculating, and diabolical dictator have a free hand to swallow Kuwait into the Iraqi sphere of influence.

Second, and perhaps more importantly, in the interests of safeguarding American lives in the Persian Gulf.

The fact of the matter is that the Administration as late as July of 1990, supported the regime of Saddam Hussein. Congressional Research Service files, located at the Library of Congress, indicate that on July 27th, 1990 the Bush Administration opposed a joint U.S. House and Senate legislative measure (S.2830, H.R. 3950) designed to impose economic sanctions on Iraq for human rights violations and the hostile policy objectives of President Hussein's government.

Since the outbreak of the Iran-Iraq war, during the early 1980s, the Reagan and Bush Administrations have supported the regime of Saddam Hussein—arming Iraq with state-of-the-art weaponry and the technological capacity to construct and operate chemical and nuclear power plants. Why did the U.S. support Hussein's government? Was Hussein's Iraq the "lesser of two evils?" Did the U.S. rush to judgement in an emotional overreaction to Iran's seizure of American hostages in 1979?

It is becoming increasingly evident that our nation committed a major foreign policy debacle. Now after more than a decade of supplying armaments to Saddam Hussein the United States can take credit for building a miniscule Third World country into a mini oil-rich power, threatening the future survival of the civilized world.

It has been prophesied as far back as three centuries that the 1990s would usher in a Muslim "King of Terror"—waging a cataclysmic nuclear war against the West. While I am not compelled to side with any prediction or prophecy of this nature recent world events may prove such prophesies to be accurate. All the elements are there. I am not suggesting that a nuclear holocaust will erupt from the Gulf crisis. What frightens me, however, is Iraq's chemical and nuclear warfare potential. Intelligence reports reveal that Iraq has a multitude of chemical and nuclear facilities at strategic locations throughout the country. Whether all are fully operational remains to be seen. But as long as Baghdad is directed by a tyrannical dictator the threat of nuclear war endangers us all.

To safeguard our vested interests around the globe "Operation Desert Shield" must not be neutralized by Hussein's threat of using hostages as 'shields of peace' to ward off a possible U.S. counter-attack. U.S. forces must eliminate, with precision-like accuracy, chemical and nuclear plants, eradicating Iraq's future weapon production ability. Or else, the U.S. will pay a costly price in terms of American servicemen lost in combat. Let us not relive the quagmire of Vietnam all over again.

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Municipal Events GRAND NATIONAL AUTO

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**Tuesday, November 13th
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Junior High School
7:00 P.M.**

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We cannot allow President Bush's refusal to implement a "long-range" energy policy to turn into an albatross threatening our national security. It may well become the Administration's long-term Achilles' heel undermining the President's political prowess and power.

Joseph J. Easton
Agawam Resident
Washington Intern at U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C.

Bravo For Pre-School Party Hosted By Phelps School**To The Editor:**

In recent times, we hear so much every day about hard times and discrepancies that come between countries, states, and neighbors. We often forget just how many wonderful and caring people there are for us when we need them.

I recently had the opportunity to coordinate the Phelps School district pre-school Halloween party held at the Agawam Congregational Church, and was overwhelmed at the enthusiastic response from our community for things such as pumpkins, balloons, entertainment, or just for a helping hand. Mrs. Cincotta of Cincotta Farms said it best when she said, "If it is for our children, you've got it!"

Please let me take this opportunity to thank some very special people who helped make this Halloween a safe, happy, and fun time for our children.

Agawam High School's Margo Poulin and her delightful Theater Arts Class, especially the host of our Hoe-Down Mark Scortino, Cincotta Farms, Brown's Farm, and Cecchi Farms for the pumpkins, Frederick

LEGAL NOTICE**TOWN OF AGAWAM
BOARD OF APPEALS**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St., Agawam, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1990 at 7:00 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of RETIREMENT LODGE OF NEW ENGLAND and the GENESIS HEALTH VENTURES OF AGAWAM, who are seeking a Special Use Permit in accordance with Section 20-11 of the Zoning Ordinances, to allow for the construction of a congregate care, retirement facility on a parcel of land identified as 464 MAIN STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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Nardi and Sweet Life for the ice cream, Party World and Ruby Perakis of the Flower Stop, West Springfield for the beautiful helium balloons, and Sergeant Longhi for his time and welcomed advice.

Thanks to my family and some special friends, Corinne Coleman, Reverend Curt Fuller, Louise (Jewel) Fuller, Marion Pond, Debbie, Bridget and Andrew Pond, Jane and Amy Bilodeau, Lynn Kochanowski, Dan Rust, Sandi and Ken Forni, Alisa and John Leahy, Linda Grace, Jean Tharin, the staff at the Agawam Congregational Church, Carol Hallock, Katie Kopyscinski, and my husband and children, Steven, Adam, and Katie Tapply.

Last but not least, the parents and precious children who came to the spirit of community.

Thank you all for your support.

Susan Tapply
535 Suffield Street
Agawam

Holiday Bazaar At Grange Always A Big Success!!!**To The Editor:**

Community Grange thanks all who contributed in any way to make its Holiday Bazaar a success beyond expectations. To those who donated and those who purchased the many attractive sale items, we say "thank-you."

The news media, especially *The Agawam Advertiser News*, deserves much credit for the good attendance. Winners of the raffle were Patricia Santowski of Worcester, Hannah Binns of Feeding Hills, and Mary Kloster of Longmeadow.

Community Grange

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By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE**LEGAL
TIPS...****Possession Of Drugs**

by Attorney Michael Hooker
1325 Springfield St., Feeding Hills Center

Drugs have become a commonplace part of life in the 90's. While movements to decriminalize have been proposed (e.g. Baltimore's Mayor) possession of drugs such as marijuana, cocaine, and heroin remain criminal offenses in Massachusetts. It comes as no surprise to the reader that drug cases are clogging the courts and the jails. Where certain drug crimes carry stiff multi-year statutory sentences, the reality is that offenders are generally getting only a couple of months commitment at most.

The non-habitual offenders who lead otherwise law-abiding lives are generally hit with high fines (\$1,000) and are given probation. While many people can live with such a penalty (paying off the fine in installments), a 1989 law allows the Department of Motor Vehicles to revoke a drug offender's driver's license. How many people can conduct their lives in Western Massachusetts without a driver's license? Not many.

The legislature, in short, is increasingly using the revocation of driver's license to deter crime where paper tiger penalties are no longer deterring. For example, the crime of minors in possession of alcohol. You are now on notice that drug convictions equal loss of license in the State of Massachusetts.

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Dupee Refuses To Debate Mayor On \$15 Trash Fee

Town Councilor Colleen Dupee, in a letter she forwarded to Mayor Christopher Johnson, has refused a challenge by Johnson to debate the proposed \$15 bulk trash pick-up fee.

Johnson and Miss Dupee have been battling over the issue for several months. Miss Dupee claims that enough money currently exists in the town budget to fund a bulk pick-up. Johnson says only through a \$15 fee can the town afford a bulk pick-up.

The two also strongly disagree over whether the council has the authority to force the Mayor to transfer \$50,500 needed for the bulk pickup.

In responding to Johnson's challenge to a debate, Miss Dupee said in the letter given to *The Advertiser News* on Tuesday, November 6th: "Frankly, I was appalled to receive the Mayor's letter challenging a city councilor to debate over a difference of opinion concerning an issue of major importance to the residents of our city. This is doing the citizens an injustice. When before has a Mayor ever challenged a councilor thusly?"

Miss Dupee also said, "You (Johnson) were elected to the Honorable Office of Mayor due to your integrity and in the hopes that you would discontinue the practice of involving personalities and turning each issue into a media extravaganza. I will not be part of such an event. The debate will occur in its rightful place - on the council floor."

"I was elected to the City Council to responsibly and maturely consider, research, and evaluate each issue as well as the alternatives."

"Alerting the residents of Agawam to alternative options (to a fee for a municipal bulk refuse collection) were the same facts presented to you by Councilors Burgess, Ennis, and myself, and substantiated in part by the press (due to being present at one phase of investigation). Councilor Negrucchi was also aware of these facts but was unable to attend our meeting."

Miss Dupee added, "During the course of the meeting in your office, you once again attempted to 'compromise' on the fee to \$18, despite evidence proving this unnecessary. Your Honor, if your credibility has been drawn into question it has not been of my doing. Perhaps the histories of the infamous 'trash fee' or the land purchase should be investigated as examples. Could it not be conceivable that this is a situation of your own making?"

"Plaudits to you for the acknowledgement of my ability to speak and write effectively, but I did not understand your request to leave that ability at home."

"Mr Mayor, would you join with me to indeed work in the best interests of the Town of Agawam, along with the majority of the Agawam City Council," said Miss Dupee.

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TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St., Agawam, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1990 at 6:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MR. RICHARD DILULLO who is seeking relief from Section 20-37, of the Zoning Ordinances to allow for an existing residential structure with less than the required sideyard clearance on the premises identified as 39 WILLOWBROOK DRIVE.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
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Mayor Says Dupee's Claims On Trash Question Credibility Of Town Hall

Mayor Christopher Johnson has challenged Town Councilor Colleen Dupee to a debate on November 12th to air differences over Councilor Dupee's allegations concerning the issue of bulk refuse collection. The Mayor has suggested an hour-long debate at the Agawam Public Library.

The Mayor and Councilor Dupee have repeatedly clashed over how best to institute bulk collections. The Mayor has recently proposed a one-time \$15 fee, while Ms. Dupee has said the town has enough available funds to cover the cost of the pick-up.

The Mayor said he wanted to debate Ms. Dupee because of her claims that funds are available which have "drawn my credibility and the credibility of members of my administration into question."

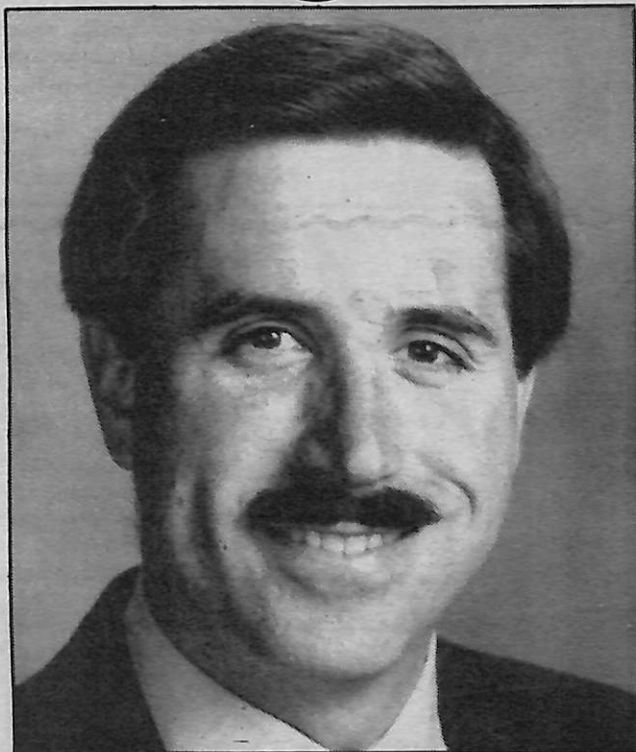
Ms. Dupee, along with Councilors Thomas Ennis, Scott Burgess, and John Negrucchi will ask the council to order the Mayor to transfer \$50,500 from existing accounts to pay for a bulk trash collection. The collection is proposed to be held before the end of this year.

The Mayor has said the council does not have the legal right to order such a transfer and said his position is supported by the town solicitor and the Department of Revenue. The disagreement is over interpretation of MGL, Chapter 44, Section 33, on the power of a town council to order a transfer when the mayor fails to fund a needed service.

The debate will take place at 7:00 p.m., November 12th, at the Agawam Public Library, said Johnson.

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Agawam Police Blotter Week-Ending Nov. 2nd

On October 28th, **Lori A. Frisino**, 2 Knollwood Circle, Holyoke, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol, operating without a license, and an outstanding West Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Richard Curry and Joe Dymon.

On October 28th, **Mark Ware**, 61 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Brian Connor and Joe Edwards.

On October 30th, **Todd M. Beddow**, 3F Mansion Woods, Agawam, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officers were Mike Gruska, Eric Camerlin, and Rick Niles.

On October 30th, **Denise Vonmarshall**, 22 Briarcliff Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Richard Conlon and Richard Niles.

On October 31st, **Richard Letendre**, 753 Union Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Walter Zymroz and Keith Bopko.

On November 1st, **Rebecca Bryant**, 151A Walnut Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding West Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Detective Walter Letellier and Karen Langevin.

On November 1st, **Moraine Cameron**, 15 Hunter Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Steve Draghetti and Dan Ciak.

On November 1st, **Michael Crabtree**, 49 Gates Street, Holyoke, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Donald Gallerani.

On November 2nd, **Mark R. Thompson**, 100 Baldwin Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding West Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Walter Zymroz.

On November 2nd, **Scott H. Ayotte**, 108 Thalia Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle without a license. Arresting officer was Walter Zymroz.

On November 2nd, **Pamela J. Cabana**, 8 Partridge Lane, Southwick, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officer was Richard Niles.

Agawam Obituaries

Thomas L. Barnard

Thomas L. "Barney" Barnard, 40, of 41 Western Drive, Agawam, a self-employed construction worker, died in Baystate Medical Center.

Born in Hammond, Indiana, he had lived in Agawam most of his life and was an Army veteran.

He leaves his wife, the former Linda A. Cirillo; a son, Joseph, at home; his parents, Harold C. and Louise (Parker) Barnard of Winter Haven, Florida, and a brother, Robert of Granby.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery.

Catherine M. Sheehan

Catherine M. (Fitzgerald) Sheehan, 93, formerly of 783 Governor Street, Springfield, died in a local nursing home.

Born in Dingle, County Kerry, Ireland, she was a resident of Springfield most of her life, moving to Agawam this year. She was a communicant of Our Lady of Hope Church in Springfield. Her husband of more than 50 years, Patrick J. Sheehan, died this year.

She leaves a son, Lawrence of Agawam; a brother, Gene Fitzgerald of Ireland; three sisters, Bridget Begley of Springfield, Mary Kennedy of Agawam, and

Margaret Rolls in England; and four grandchildren.

The funeral was at Robert E. Cusack Funeral Home, and in the church, with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Westfield.

Yvette J. Yelinek

Yvette J. (Racette) Yelinek, 66, of 12 Elmer Drive, Feeding Hills, the nursing director at Summerfield Elms Manor Nursing Home in Chicopee, died on Monday, October 29th, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

She started working at the nursing home in 1966, and became director in 1974.

Born in Springfield, she lived in West Springfield before moving to Feeding Hills 36 years ago. She was a graduate of the Springfield Hospital School of Nursing.

She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills. Her husband, Charles E. Yelinek, died in 1989.

She leaves two sons, Charles E. Jr. and James J. of Agawam; two daughters, Sandy Yelinek and Cheryl Yelinek at home; four sisters, Pauline Racette of Springfield, Jacqui Kiernan of Monson, Claire Decoteau of East Longmeadow, and Madeline Miller of Springfield; five grandchildren.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Open Pantry Slates Annual Turkey Day Dinner

Open Pantry of Springfield, Inc., a community service agency, which provides shelter, social work advocacy, daily meals and emergency groceries to the poor and homeless, will hold its Sixth Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner at the Springfield Civic Center. The dinner will be held on Thanksgiving Day, November 22nd, at 12:00 noon.

Anyone who would like to share in this community meal is welcome to attend and there is no admission fee.

Transportation to the Civic Center can be arranged for people unable to get there on their own. If you are unable to leave your home a delicious turkey dinner

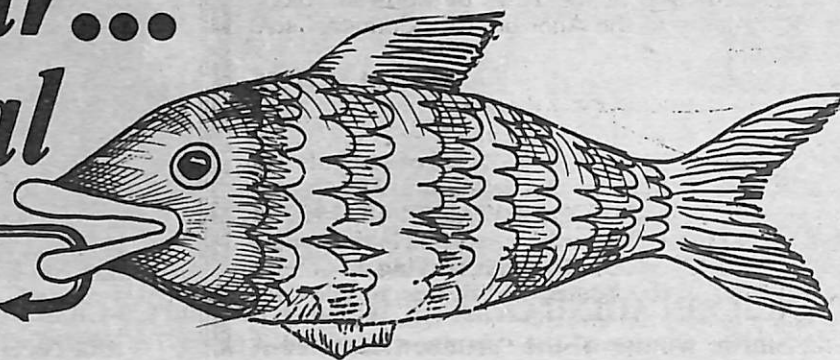
can be delivered to you by calling the Open Pantry of Springfield, Inc. (in advance) at 737-5354 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Desserts (pies, cakes, and cookies) and fruit are needed. The food items may be dropped off at the Civic Center after 9:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving morning. Financial donations may be sent to the Open Pantry of Springfield, Inc., P.O. Box 5127, Springfield, MA 01101.

We have much to be thankful for, let's share it with others.

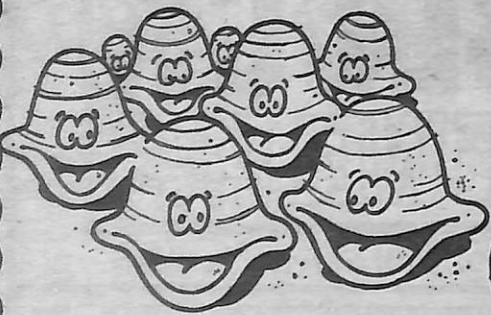
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Families



RETIRING AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER "Friends" members Betty Burke (left) and Laura Dugan hold the "Andrew Gallano Award" that was presented to Viola Smith at the Awards Dinner on October 27th. Looking on is Richard Garvey, associate publisher of *The Springfield Union News*. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



COUNCIL ON AGING Chairman James Griffin and Co-Chairwoman Nancy Gravel pose with Viola Smith, winner of the "Andrew Gallano Award." Viola received the honor at the October 25th awards dinner. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Senior Ctr. Dinner Features Dick Garvey; 100 Attend Event

Nearly 100 supporters of the Agawam Senior Center attended the Friends/Council On Aging Awards Dinner and fundraiser at Chez Josef on Thursday, October 25th, to enjoy a superb dinner and excellent service along with a large serving of good fellowship.

Richard C. Garvey, associate publisher of *The Springfield Newspapers* was the guest speaker, talking about "Seniors in Our Local History"; interesting folks who accomplished great things while in their sunset years. He noted how very much shorter one's life expectancy was in Revolutionary times (30 years), and only 50 years in the 18th century. We might try to realize that these folks were already well past double their life expectancy when they made their mark for posterity. Something to contemplate, indeed.

Honored guest Viola A. Smith received the Council on Aging's "Andrew Gallano Award" in the form of a plaque, presented by COA vice-chairwoman Nancy Gravel. Representative Michael Walsh also presented Ms. Smith with a "Citation" from the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

Laura B. Dugan was presented a beautiful clock as recipient of the "Friends" of the Agawam Senior Center "Friendship Award." Elizabeth M. Burke, president of Friends made the presentation.

Also on the program were Mayor Christopher Johnson and Reverend Robert Murray who gave the Invocation. Music for listening and dancing was provided courtesy of Sounds of Music, Inc., with Jean Franklin at the console. The many local firms and individuals who contributed as sponsors were recognized in the printed program. To all these sponsors and supporters and to all who worked to put on this fundraiser, Friends is very grateful.

Garden Club To Install Officers Nov. 13th

Members of the Agawam Garden Club will hold Annual Banquet and Installation of Officers on Tuesday, November 13th, at the Agawam Baptist Church. Dinner will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Following the banquet, the program for the evening will be a talk by Betty Johnson of Hadley on her trip to Turkey. Mrs. Johnson is a past supervisor of the elementary schools in Hadley.

For this trip she joined an Elder Hostel Group last June for a three-week trip to Turkey. Then, she, with a friend, extended their trip to travel on their own to Western Turkey.

Also, plans will be discussed by the members regarding the upcoming project with Storowton Village Yuletide program December 1st and 2nd.

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Senior Ctr. "Friends" Hold Annual Meeting; Elect New Directors

The 1990 Annual Meeting of "Friends of the Agawam Senior Center" was called to order by President Elizabeth Burke on November 2nd at the center with 40 members present. The reports of the clerk and treasurer were presented and the nine-member Board of Directors for 1991 was elected.

"Friends" is a non-profit, fundraising organization for Agawam's Senior Center and the growing senior population. A volunteer board of directors meets monthly and in 1990 recorded almost 100 percent attendance. "Friends" sponsors four major, annual fundraising events, all manned by a large group of dedicated volunteers coordinated by Activities Director Sandra Smith. The board also has benefitted greatly from the services of James Griffin, chairman of the Council on Aging who serves ex-officio.

The report of the treasurer showed "Friends" started this year with over \$9,000 on hand and received income of over \$13,000. Disbursements totalled over \$15,000, including two major items which totalled nearly \$7,000. Two computers were purchased for record-keeping and for hands-on instruction to interested seniors (over \$3,600); also, it has cost "Friends" over \$3,000 this year to complete the endless paperwork involved in establishing a tax-exempt status (Ch.64H, Sections 6(d) and (e)). This ongoing work was handled by Accountant John Walsh working with volunteer treasurer Lillian Doyle.

Also acknowledged were all those persons and businesses in the community who have made donations of services and money, and to all those who support "Friends" by their participation in fundraising activities.

Proceeds from the Annual Friends/COA October Dinner at Chez Josef were announced as adding \$950 to the treasury. The "Friendship Award," given to a Senior Center Volunteer, was presented to Laura Dugan, who received a beautiful mantel clock.

The nominating committee of May Laffert, Rose Duquette, and Laura Dugan (chairwoman), presented the slate for 1991 Board of Directors, with seven incumbents and two new candidates for retiring members Elizabeth Burke and Laura Dugan.

Nominated and elected were Helen Blanchard, Zelda Downey, Lillian Doyle, Barbara Gingras, Joseph Mathias, Reverend Robert Murray, Sandra Smith, and new members Barbara Butler and Mary Leahy. Both Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Leahy are experienced volunteers, are active in their churches, and have filled offices in various fraternal and civic organizations. "Friends" is pleased to welcome them to the board for 1991.

With no further business, Mrs. Burke closed the meeting with a brief message, emphasizing the importance of the gifts of time and talents which our many volunteers contribute, keeping "Friends" active and productive. She noted the importance of recording volunteer hours. The sum-total of these volunteer hours provides an eye-opening statistic at year's end!

The officers of president, clerk, treasurer, and assistant treasurer for 1991 will be elected by the new board of directors at their December meeting.

Thanksgiving Dinner At Valley Community

The public is invited to a Thanksgiving dinner which will be held at Valley Community Church on Saturday, November 10th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The menu is turkey with all the trimmings and dessert...all homemade. Dinner music will be provided at intervals through the evening. The donation for adults is \$6, with \$3 for children, 10 and under. Proceeds will benefit the ministry of the church to the community.

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Sacred Heart Church Bazaar Coming November 17th

An exciting happening at Sacred Heart Bazaar! Weather permitting, Santa Claus will arrive at the Sacred Heart Bazaar on Saturday, November 17th, at 9:45 a.m., in the field behind the Parish Center by helicopter. After he arrives, the children can be sure to tell him all that they hope for—perhaps also have a picture with him, and stop in the Children's Shopping Room where no adults are admitted.

The Holiday Bazaar begins on Friday evening, November 16th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and again on Saturday, November 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. You'll find all kinds of new and exciting things, and also a snack bar for lunch or supper.

Annual Christmas Bazaar At Agawam Congregational

The Ladies Aid Society of Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, invites you to their Annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Christmas gifts, greeting cards, baked goods, stocking stuffers, hand-knitted articles, plants, and a white elephant table will be featured.

A light luncheon served in the "Angel Cafe" will also be available.

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Thanksgiving is the seventh largest card-sending holiday in the United States. About 45 million Thanksgiving cards will be given this year, according to Hallmark research. Hallmark offers about 500 Thanksgiving Day card designs.

Thanksgiving is observed the fourth Thursday in November, this year November 22nd.

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The first American Thanksgiving was a three-day harvest festival celebrated in 1621 by the pilgrims at Plymouth, Massachusetts. For the next 150 years, celebrations were sporadic.

The first national Thanksgiving proclamation was issued by George Washington in 1789, the year of his inauguration. He issued another in 1795.

Not all presidents were interested in the holiday. In fact, Thomas Jefferson actively opposed it during his two terms.

In 1827, *Boston Ladies' Magazine* editor Sarah Josepha Hale campaigned to have the day permanently proclaimed. On October 3rd, 1863, in the middle of the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln issued a Thanksgiving proclamation making Thanksgiving a national holiday to be observed annually on the last Thursday in November.

The Hallmark Historical Collection contains Thanksgiving cards from the late 1800s, but Thanksgiving cards were not widely sent until the end of World War I. Hallmark made its first Thanksgiving card in the early 1920s.

Thanksgiving cards for friends and family and party ware are available at Surprise! Card & Gift Shop.

Agawam Senior Center Lunch Menu

Monday, November 12th: Holiday, Veteran's Day.

Tuesday, November 13th: Salisbury steak, wide egg noodles, tossed salad, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit.

Wednesday, November 14th: Baked chicken, sweet potato, corn, Canadian oat bread, applesauce with raisins.

Thursday, November 15th: Turkey vegetable soup, stuffed cabbage, mashed potatoes, oatmeal bread, peaches.

Friday, November 16th: Stuffed scrod, rice pilaf, stewed tomatoes, rye bread, chocolate pudding with whipped topping.

Agawam CROP Walk Turns Over The Cash



CROP WALK OFFICIALS are handing over more money to the Open Pantry in West Springfield and Springfield. From left - Bob Broga, Bud Hardy, Barbara Volker, and Agawam's Paul Sutton, that famous weatherman from TV-40 who served as honorary chairman of the walk.

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CROP WALK OFFICIALS from Agawam and West Springfield presented food and a cash donation to the Open Pantry. From left - Bob Broga, Bud Hardy, and Diane Crowell. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Annual Turkey Walk Held At Heritage Hall



PAUL SUTTON of Agawam, weatherman for TV-40, served as master of ceremonies for the Annual Heritage Hall Turkey Walk last week.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HERITAGE HALL RESIDENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS are about to embark on the Annual Turkey Walk to benefit the American Heart Association. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Heritage Hall Slates Annual Holiday Bazaar

Heritage Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is holding their Annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Four buildings will be filled with craft items of all sorts, as well as baked foods and tag sale items. Coffee and doughnuts will be available for the enjoyment of all patrons.

All craft items are handmade by the residents and volunteers of Heritage Hall and all proceeds from this event benefit the Heritage Hall Activities Department.

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Mount Carmel Church, Springfield
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
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Tuesday, November 13th
Agawam Garden Club
Annual Installation Banquet
Agawam Baptist Church
6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 14th
Agawam Lions Club
Ziti & Meatball Supper
Agawam Middle School
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 15th
"Flamingo Fling" Benefit
fundraiser for Diana Sands
Granger School teacher
at Polish American Club
6:00 to 10:00 p.m.



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Shawn Ciborowski On Duty With Army In Sinai Desert

Army Spec. Shawn M. Ciborowski, son of Paul P. & Rose M. Ciborowski of 131 River Road, Agawam, is participating in the multinational peacekeeping force and observers (MFO) as the primary U.S. military contingent in the Sinai.

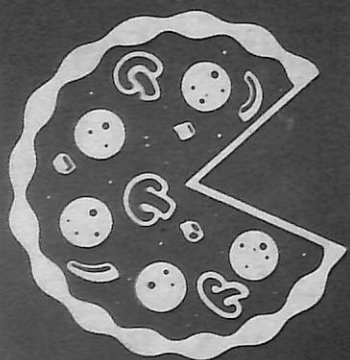
The MFO, an independent agency responsible to the governments of Israel and Egypt, was established as a

result of the 1979 Egypt-Israel peace treaty.

The mission of the unit is to operate checkpoints and observation posts, and conduct reconnaissance patrols along the Sinai Peninsula.

Ciborowski is an infantryman.

He is a 1988 graduate of Agawam High School.



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Diana Jean Porter Bride Of John Patrick Mahar

Diana Jean Porter, formerly of Agawam, married John Patrick Mahar of Watervliet, New York on Saturday, September 15th, at Sacred Heart of Mary Church in Watervliet, New York.

Maid of honor was Teresa F. Martone of Agawam. Bridesmaids were Darra Wagner, Lynn DePaul, and Susan Ivie Mahar.

Best Man was Dean E. Bruce of Watervliet, New York. Ushers were Robert G. Carlson, Timothy J. Mahar, and Michael M. Mahar.

The bride graduated from Agawam High School, and received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology from Siena College in Loudonville, New York. She is employed as manager of Things Remembered in Colton, New York.

The groom graduated from Catholic Central High School in Lansingburgh, New York, and received a bachelor of arts degree in political science from Siena College in Loudonville, New York. He is employed by the State of New York.

The couple honeymooned in England and Ireland, and now reside in East Schodack, New York.

Country Folk Art Sale At Eastern States' Young Building

The Country Folk Art Show & Sale will be held on November 16th, 17th, and 18th, at the Eastern States Exposition Fairgrounds, The Young Building, West Springfield.

On Friday evening from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., admission is \$6. Early buying privileges. Saturday and Sunday, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., admission is \$4. Children 10 and under is \$2. Everything is for sale all three days and everyone is welcome all three days.

This Country Folk Art Show has been nationally recognized as the Leading Folk Art Show in the nation. This high calibre show will be coming with folk artisans from all across the country bringing their outstanding quality handcrafted reproductions and country heirlooms of the future. This show will have a great variety of handmade country accessories and collectibles to decorate the country home.

The Folk Art Show brings together an endless array of treasures to delight anyone's taste. The Country theme is a look that represents a homespun, warm, handmade and comfortable ambiance. Some of the wonderful folk art items for sale will include quilts and wall hangings, Appalachian style baskets, splint and willow baskets, Shaker furniture and Shaker boxes, grapevine wreaths and herbal arrangements, whirlingigs, weathervanes, theroems, frakturs, rag rugs, teddy bears, scherenschnitte, country signs, decoys, dummy boards, wood carvings, spongeware, redware, calligraphy, cut and pierced lampshades, stenciled lampshades, cabinets, dry sinks, settles, water benches, chimney cupboards, children's furniture, country clocks, fireboards, salt-glazed stoneware, and countless other great folk art forms.

Folk Art is forever gaining in popularity and to meet the demand there will be over 150 folk artisans from across the country bringing literally thousands of handmade folk art treasures for sale. Each and everyone of the artisans have been juried and hand-selected for their outstanding workmanship and integrity of creative design.

When our Colonies were being settled, most everything was handmade and so history seems to be repeating itself and once again there is a surge of interest in handmade items and historical reproductions.

Community Turkey Day Service At Ag. United Methodist

Everyone in the Agawam area is invited to a Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday, November 18th, at 7:00 p.m., at Agawam United Methodist Church. Combined choirs, liturgical dancers, and a trumpeter will assist local clergy in leading songs, prayers, and an offering for the cold and hungry.

The Reverend Kenneth Tatro of Sacred Heart Church will bring the Thanksgiving message, and choirs from several local churches will combine in an anthem of praise. Liturgical dancers from Valley Community Church will interpret "The Doxology," and worshippers are asked to bring an offering of money for the emergency fuel fund or canned goods for local food banks.

Mayor Christopher Johnson will read the official Thanksgiving proclamation at the service. The entire community is invited to attend by the Agawam clergy. The Agawam United Methodist Church is on Route 57 across from the high school playing fields.

Mittineague Congo Church To Hold Holly Bazaar

The Women's Guild of the Mittineague Congregational Church of 1840 Westfield Street, West Springfield, have announced their Annual Holly Bazaar will be held in the Charles King Hall of the church on Saturday, November 17th, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. There will be a snack bar during the day from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and a pot roast dinner from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Reservations for the dinner may be made by calling the church office, 734-1290.

The fair committee members are Ruth Ensign, Janet Marble, Mable Wilder, and Barbara Sheldon. Treasurer for the event is Nellie Doty.

Booths will feature Christmas shoppers' delights for the entire family. Being offered are Christmas decorations, wreaths, tree ornaments, knit goods, teddy bears, and other handmade items. A baked goods table will feature homemade goodies for the family to enjoy.

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LEONARD HOUSE TRUSTEES James Loomis (left) and Ernest Swanson both were pleased with the great turnout for the Annual Fall Tag Sale. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

West Spfld. Coin Club Sets Meeting November 11th

The West Springfield Coin Club will meet Sunday, November 11th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Northeast Utilities/WMECO Building, 174 Brush Hill Road, West Springfield.

Business and topical discussions will take place. Dealers will be available as usual. A small auction of numismatic material is planned. Refreshments will be served/available.

The public is invited. Visitors/guests are welcome as well as potential new members. For further information, contact Peter Seton, 596-9871.

Jon & Diane Gendron Announce Birth Of Daughter

Jon & Diane Gendron of Agawam announce the birth of their daughter, Laken Lillian Gendron. She was born on October 5th, weighing in at 9 pounds, 9 ounces, and was 22 inches long. She has a brother, Dirk, 2.

Laken's grandparents are Leslie & Dale Melanson and Lillian Gendron, all of Agawam.

Her great-grandparents are Mrs. Welly Roy and Mrs. Auree Gendron of Springfield, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Melanson, and Mr. & Mrs. Albert Peckham, both of Agawam.

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CAPTAIN CHARLES LEONARD HOUSE trustee Jeanne Webster (left) is assisted at the jewelry table by Carla Pignatare and Shelly J. Goncalves. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HELPING OUT AT THE BAKE GOODS TABLE at the Annual Giant Fall Tag Sale of the Captain Charles Leonard House are, from left - Vivian Roberts, Marilyn Loomis, and Mary O'Connor. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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"Flamingo Fling" Planned To Benefit Diana Sands Nov. 15th

The Flamingo Fling, a special event to benefit the Diana M. Sands Trust, will be held Thursday, November 15th, from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., at the Polish American Club, Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, as announced by event chairwoman Kathy Heimann.

This special social event has two purposes, according to Mrs. Heimann. It is designed to provide an opportunity for the community to show its support to Mrs. Sands, a teacher at the Clifford M. Granger School in Feeding Hills, and it is designed to raise funds to help offset the extremely large costs of the special medical procedure Mrs. Sands is undergoing at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

Mrs. Sands was diagnosed as having a rare form of lung cancer at the end of the past school year. The option offering her the best chance of beating the cancer is an experimental procedure undertaken at the Dana Farber Institute. The difficulty is that the procedure is experimental and insurance will not pay the \$135,000 cost for the procedure.

"We are hoping that a lot of people will turn out during the evening of November 15th," Mrs. Heimann explained, "because one of the greatest supports Diana has had during her hospitalization has been the cards and letters she has received. We have planned a lot of special ways for people to tell Diana they care."

The special event will feature a "Flamingo Card Signing." People will be able to write a message or just sign their name to large cards in the shape of Flamingos. "We chose the Flamingo because Diana loves them," Mrs. Heimann noted.

In addition, people can videotape their message to Diana for a nominal fee in a videogram which will be sent down to her along with a video of the "Flamingo Fling" itself.

People who cannot attend can sign and send a smaller Flamingo Fling card to Diana. These cards are available at Granger School in Feeding Hills or through a member of the event committee. A donation of any size is requested by the committee with the return of the card.

In designing the event, the committee decided to hold a "Chinese Auction" as part of the activities. The auction will feature a large number of items, such as certificates to restaurants, crafts, toys, and items from sports figures.

The items will be on display at the Flamingo Fling. People will be able to look at the different items and "bid" on them by putting in one or more tickets. The tickets will be available for purchase for 50 cents each. Starting at 7:00 p.m., the items will be "auctioned" off. In auctioning off the items, all the tickets deposited on that item will be brought to the auction stand and one



GETTING READY FOR THE ANNUAL "Jingle Valley Fair" at the Agawam First Baptist Church in Agawam Center on Saturday, November 17th, are, from left - Aletha Hodge, Dorothy Magovern, Delores Schneider, Leona Booska, Barbara Wright, and Nina Bailey. The fair will run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

ticket will be selected from among those deposited. Winners need not be present as long as they have written their name and telephone number on the back of the deposited tickets.

"We are hoping people will enjoy the auction and it will provide everyone, regardless of age or income, with the opportunity to participate in the effort to help Diana and perhaps even win a prize," noted Mrs. Heimann.

"We think Diana's spirits will really be boosted when she sees the videotapes of the event, hears the videograms from friends and sees all the Flamingo cards," she added. "Helping her feel supported is as important as every other part of her battle against the cancer."

Donations outside of the Flamingo Fling can be made directly to the Diana M. Sands Trust Fund, c/o WestBank, 1340 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.

Youth Sunday Slated At Ag. Congregational Church

Youth Sunday will be held at Agawam Congregational Church on Sunday, November 11th, at the 10:30 a.m. service. The junior and senior high youth group will be leading and participating in the service.

During the service, the new, new revised standard lectern bible will be dedicated in loving memory of Gladys McQuesten. Gladys was a beloved member of this church and served on several committees throughout the years. The heifer project dedication will also be included in the service.

The junior high youth of the Agawam Congregational Church will be meeting Friday, November 9th, at 6:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall to make candies for the church bazaar. All youth are welcome to attend.

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Anne M. Gallerani Becomes Bride Of Clifford P. Lattanzio

Anne M. Gallerani of Agawam and Clifford P. Lattanzio of Wethersfield, Connecticut, were married Saturday, September 8th, at 1:30 p.m., at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Agawam. The Reverend Leo Riley officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Edward D. Gallerani of Agawam.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Valle P. Lattanzio of Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Kimberly Radziewicz was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Roberta Gallerani, Maria Lattanzio, and Maria Rackliffe.

Arthur Hudon was best man. Ushers were Valle P. Lattanzio, Jr., Stephen Lattanzio, and Barry Gallerani.

The couple left for Bermuda after a reception at The Depot, Northampton. They will live in Rocky Hill, Connecticut.

The bride, a graduate of Boston University School of Public Health, Boston, is an admissions coordinator at Windsor Hall Rest Home, Windsor, Connecticut.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Bates College, Lewiston, Maine, is a benefits consultant at Cigna Corporation, Hartford, Connecticut.

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An array of handcrafted gifts and homebaked breads and desserts will be available. Shoppers may also enjoy light lunches, which will be served in the attractive colonial rooms of this historic house.

The fair is sponsored by the Women's Ministries of Bethany Assembly of God, under the chairmanship of Joyce Rosazza.

Town Retirees Plan Meeting Nov. 11th

The Town of Agawam Retirees will hold its annual meeting on Sunday, November 11th, at 1:30 p.m., at the Polish Club of Feeding Hills, Southwick Street (upstairs hall).

The agenda will include election of officers and discussion of insurance. Mayor Christopher Johnson will be present.

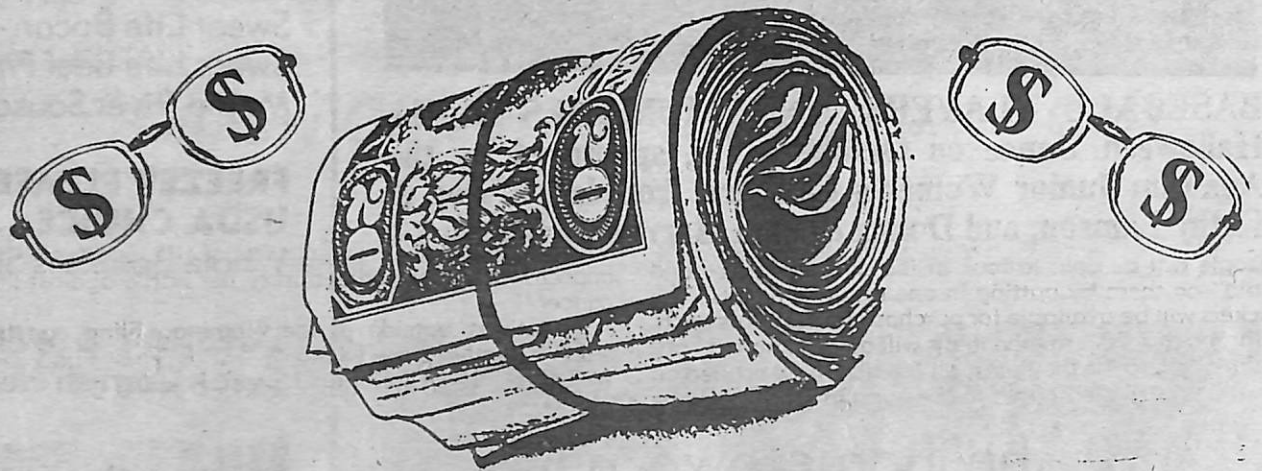
Ziti & Meatball Dinner Slated By Agawam Lioness Club

The Agawam Lioness are sponsoring a Ziti and Meatball Supper on Wednesday, November 14th, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at the Agawam Middle School, 100 Main Street, Agawam. Tickets are \$3.75 for adults, and \$2.25 for children under 12.

Tickets are available at the door or may be obtained by calling Marsha Finck, 786-8491. All proceeds are donated to Agawam Lioness-sponsored charities. The Agawam Lioness support medical eye research, children's programs such as Camp Rainbow and D.A.R.E., the Agawam Public Library, and many other worthwhile programs.

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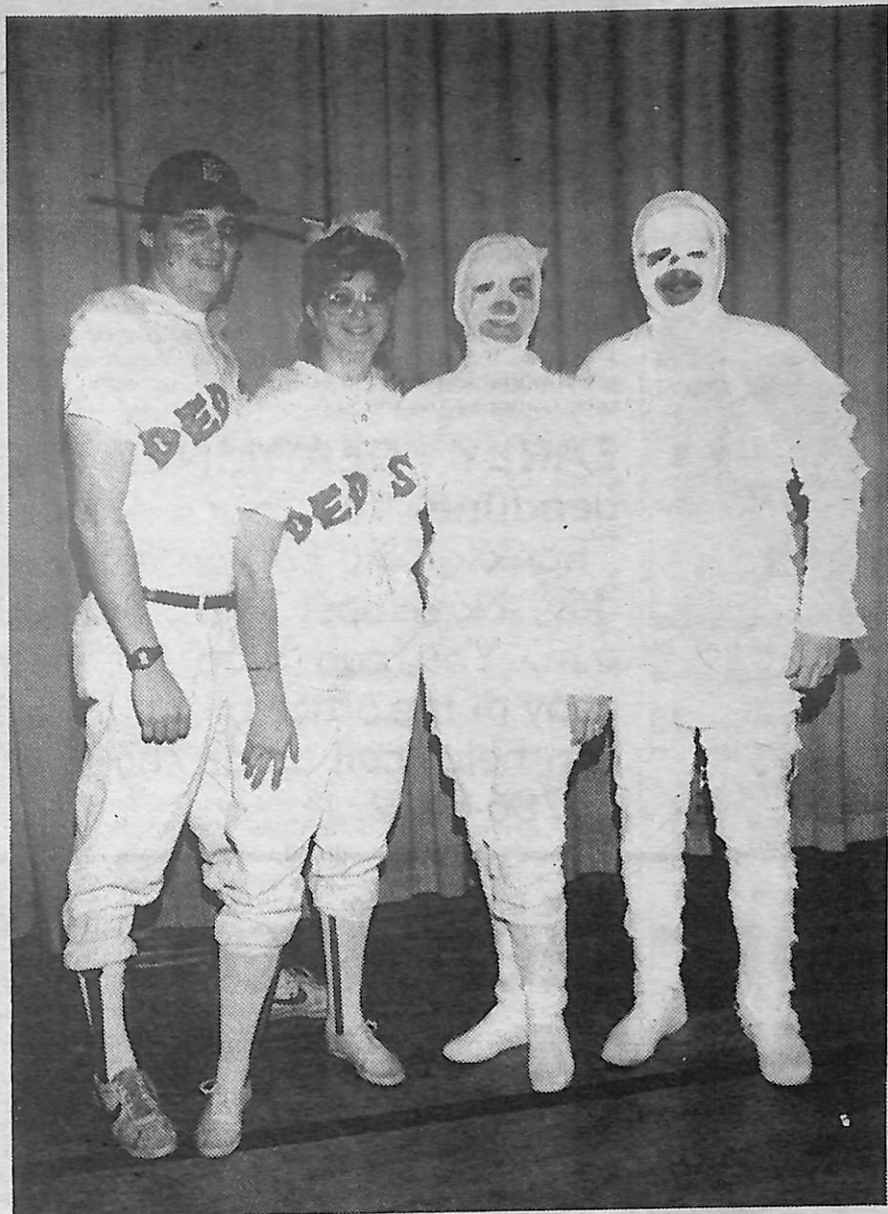
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Jr. Women Hold Halloween Dance



BASEBALL PLAYERS AND MUMMIES at the Halloween Dance on October 27th, sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club are, from left - Greg & Kathy Lamson; and Donna & Paul Harvey. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE PLANT DOCTOR IS IN says Larry Hoague to his wife, "Sunflower" Sue Hoague at the Agawam Junior Women's Club Halloween Dance on October 27th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Mid-Winter Night Set By Ag. Arts Council

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Theater, music, magic, dancing to Big Band music, and puppets will be the fare offered for the enjoyment of young and old. The festivities will begin at 6:30 p.m., with the puppet show for children and other programs scheduled throughout the night.

All events will take place in the Agawam Center area on Main Street at the Agawam Congregational Church, the Agawam Baptist Church, St. John's Church, and the Agawam Center Library Building. Adequate parking is available and participants can park and walk to all events.

Admission to all programs will be by badge and purchasers of a badge will be entitled to attend every event. Badges will go on sale at the end of November at a location to be announced.

Make your plans now to stay in Agawam and enjoy Mid Winter Night with family and friends. Further information about programs, artists, etc. will be forthcoming in the near future in *The Agawam Advertiser* and other newspapers.

Home Builders Association Plans Membership Meeting

The Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield will hold its general membership meeting on Tuesday, November 20th, at 6:00 p.m., at the Carriage House, Storowton Tavern, West Springfield.

The keynote speaker for the evening will be Bruce Wall, conservation loan manager and residential program administrator of Northeast Utilities, who will discuss "Energy Crafted Homes of Massachusetts."

President James Walsh will honor Victor J. Shibley, Jr. of Victor Shibley Homes, Inc., Westfield, and Adrien E. Girard of Girard Construction Company, Inc., Ludlow, as the October and November "Builders of the Month." Maureen A. Devine of Credit Data Services, Inc., Springfield, and George W. Jones of Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, will also be recognized as the October and November "Associate Members of the Month."

For additional information, please contact the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield, 733-3126.

AHS Class Of 1975 Sets Reunion Nov. 24

Agawam High School Class of 1975 is having its 15th Reunion at Shaker Farms Country Club, Westfield, on Saturday, November 24th.

Cocktails will be at 6:30 p.m., and dinner at 7:30 p.m.; dancing til ?

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A minister's view...

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Spotlight On Business

Old Sykes Mill: Rustic & Charming With Great Food

by Debbie Macey Taylor
Advertiser News Staff

Welcome to the turn-of-the-century New England. That is what awaits townsfolk at the **Old Sykes Mill Country Store** at 1422 Main Street (just before Riverside Park). From the moment it comes into view, you know it is someplace special.

And not only from its rustic atmosphere. The food here is wonderful.

On the back of its menu is a brief history of the building. It is on the sight of the old mill and Sykes family homestead. In earlier times there was a thriving grist and saw mill located here. Later, the locale was purchased by the Agawam Gin Mill and produced Agawam Gin (which was once distributed all over the country). A blacksmith shop was also located there at one time.

Owners Michael & Nancy Drenzek of Suffield beam with pride when discussing their establishment. Nancy's father, Roger Dagleish, had purchased the existing building with plans to tear it down.

At that time Michael was a carpenter and in his mind's eye saw a golden opportunity before him. "I remember before getting into this business I had every intention of going back to carpentry once the renovations to the building were done. We didn't have a set plan. This restaurant just sort of evolved."

The country store and ice cream parlor began operating in 1986. Michael said that because gifts are seasonal, the restaurant was added in 1988 to the north side of the building. That's when the business took off.

The Drenzeks also renovated an adjacent duck pond that greets patrons as they pull in. It is a nice place to visit and children especially love to feed the always hungry ducks.

Upon entering **Old Sykes Mill**, patrons can see some of the treasures the Drenzeks have incorporated into the building. The soda fountain was rescued from the old Weiland's Market (from the old ice cream parlor in the back of the store) in Feeding Hills. The pressed metal ceiling was found in a bakery in Enfield.

Also from Enfield are the wooden support posts from Bigelow Carpet Mills. The main entrance doors were saved from the old Thompsonville Hotel by Dagleish.

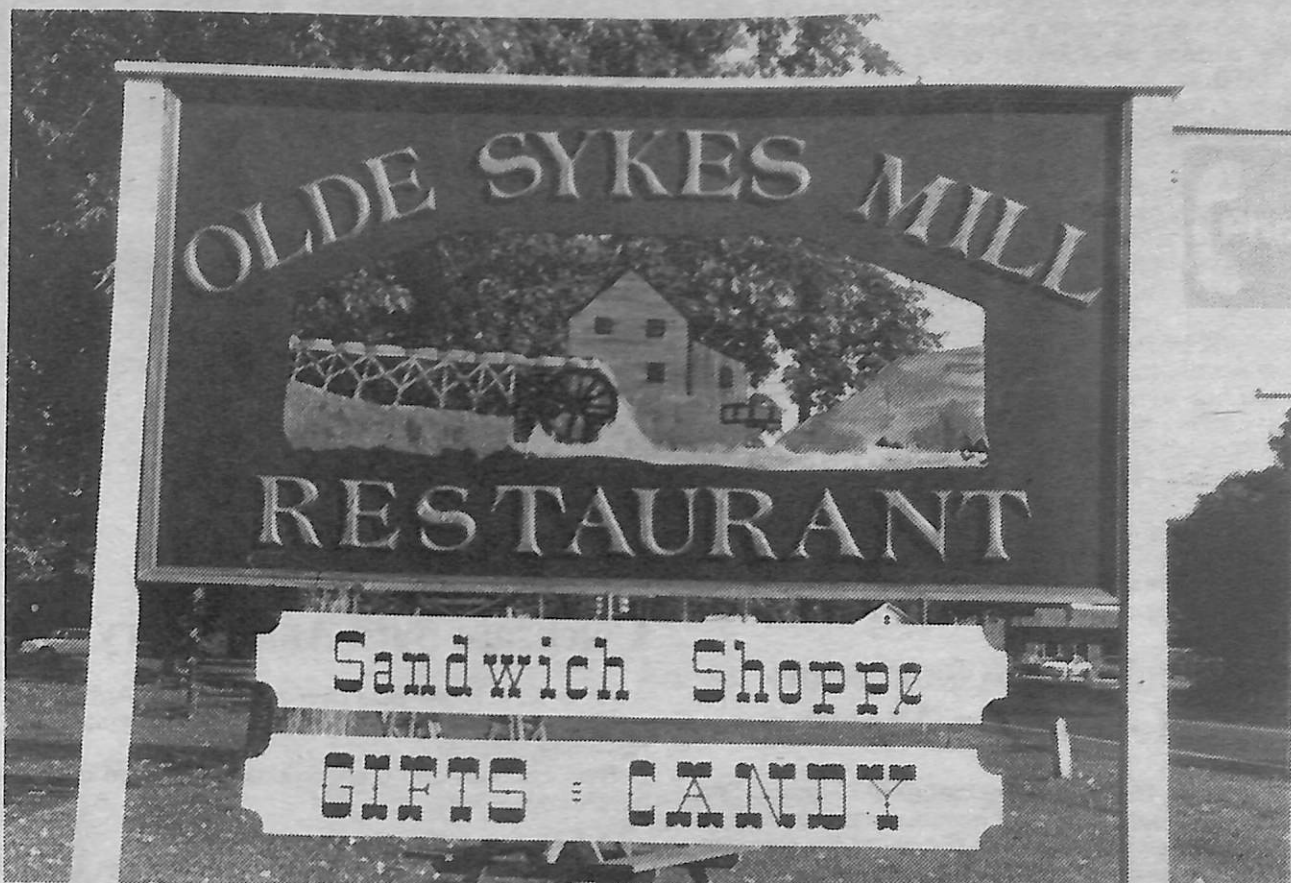
The restaurant serves hearty breakfasts, lunches, and dinners each day. **Old Sykes** closes at 2:00 p.m. on Monday. The Drenzeks boast homemade chili and soups, as well as nightly specials like meatloaf and Swedish meatballs. Every Sunday they roast turkeys to serve a traditional New England feast. The Drenzeks also offer homemade fudge, muffins, and cookies.

Michael says he and Nancy continue to expand their patron list. "The economy out there is bad. A lot of our customers we were seeing once a week are now coming in once a month. We did have a great summer. Our nights were busier than our days."

"After Labor Day the days get busier and the nights get slower," he added.

Good homecooking never goes out of style and this, along with their ice cream, other goodies, and turn-of-the-century charm will keep the customers coming in.

So, next time you feel like stepping back in time, come and visit Michael & Nancy Drenzek. Their warm hospitality is also another plus. Relax and eat hearty!



THE OLD SYKES MILL COUNTRY STORE and RESTAURANT is located at 1422 Main Street, Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



GERT HASTINGS pours coffee for **Bob Wersaukas** at the fountain at **Old Sykes Mill** on Main Street, Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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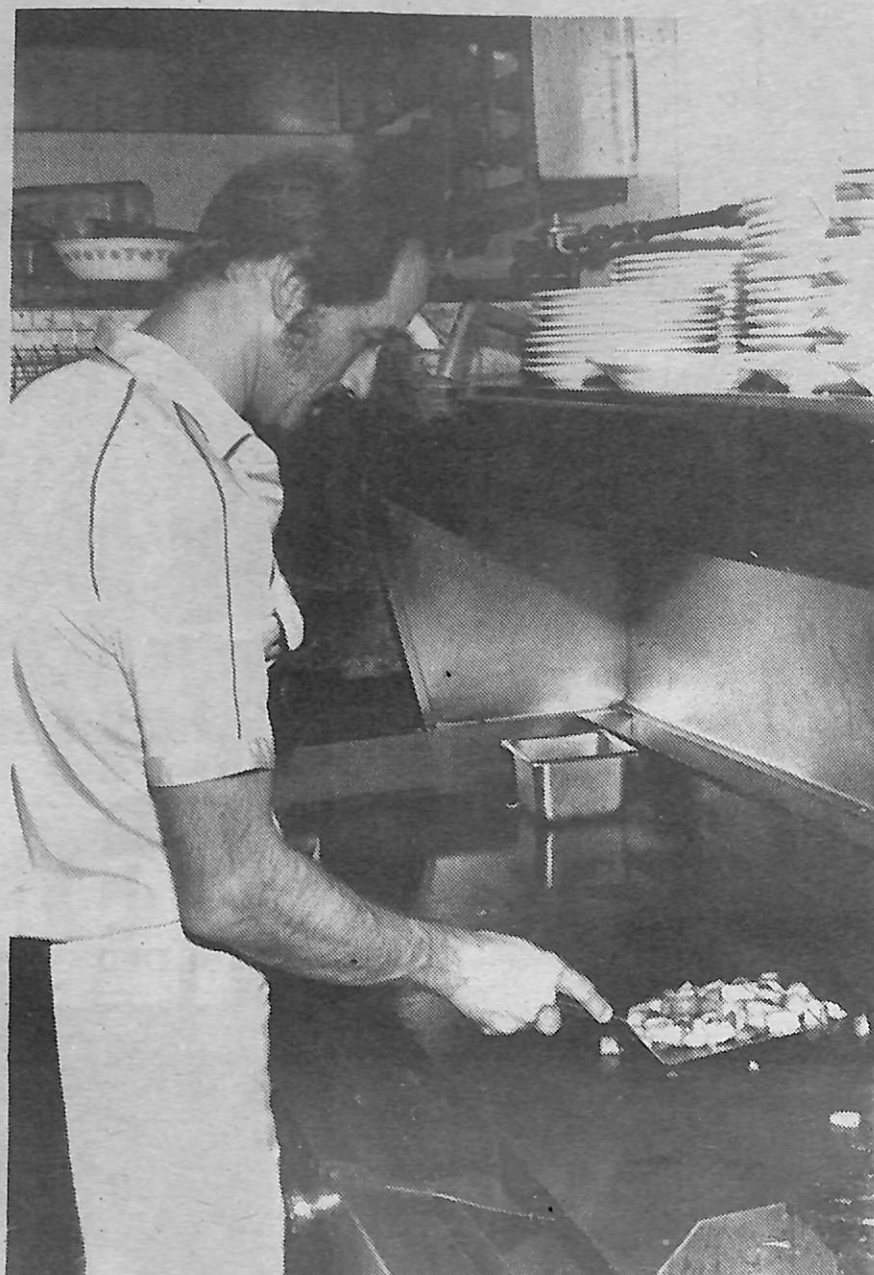
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Back To Old New England At Old Sykes Mill - continued...



NANCY DARBE IS hard at work during a busy lunch at Old Sykes Mill on Main Street. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RICHARD STEVENS is one of the short-order cooks at Old Sykes Mill on Main Street. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



NANCY DRENZEK of Suffield, owner and operator of Old Sykes Mill, hangs autumn decorations just before a busy lunch. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

John F. Bolduc Elected As President Of Area Realtors

John F. Bolduc, vice president and partner of Foresi & Bolduc, Realtors of West Springfield, has been elected 1991 president of the 1,250 member Greater Springfield Association of Realtors.

A licensed broker in Massachusetts, Bolduc is a member of both the Massachusetts and National Association of Realtors. A realtor since 1975, Bolduc has served the association as a member of its board of directors, treasurer, and as chairman of both the Finance and Public Relations Committees. His professional designations include Certified Residential Specialist and Certified Real Estate Appraiser.

For the town of West Springfield, he has served as chairman of both the Finance Committee and the Capital Program Planning Committee and currently serves as a director of the West Springfield Rotary Club.

Other elected officers are Audrey Simonds of Hampden as president-elect; Dianne Tufts of Longmeadow as vice-president; Joseph Albano of Wilbraham as treasurer; and Anne DePalma of Agawam as secretary. All officers will be officially installed in January, 1991.

Peg Ryan Named As "Agent of the Month"

Lewis & Arnold Inc., Realtors are pleased to announce that Peg Ryan has been named "Sales Agent of the Month" for October 1990.

Peg is a member of the Graduate Realtors Institute and completed the course requirements for being a certified Residential Specialist. She has been associated full-time with Lewis & Arnold, Inc. for four years.

Peg and her children have resided in Feeding Hills for 19 years.

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DEBBIE JOHNSON is one of the waitresses at Partners Restaurant in Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Partners Restaurant Doing Just Fine Under Tansey's Ownership

by Debra Macey Taylor
Advertiser News Staff

PARTNERS RESTAURANT on Springfield Street in Feeding Hills will be celebrating its sixth anniversary in January. The restaurant itself has been there longer but not under the ownership of Mark Tansey.

He has truly made **Partners** a success. "This place has had a lot of owners and I'm the only one to keep it this long," he said.

When asked about the origin of the **Partners** name, Tansey said, "One of the past owners used it. I wanted to keep the name the same. It's not a good idea to keep changing names in business. You have to show some continuity, consistency, and longevity."

Partners is open for breakfast and lunch on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. They do a booming business and for you early birds, they open at 5:30 a.m. The dining room is open for dinner on Thursday, Friday, and Saturdays until 8:00 p.m.

Partners just began serving dinner about a month ago and Tansey tells us he is doing well. The eatery offers homemade soups and a variety of specials on these evenings. **Partners** also offers a banquet facility in the rear of the restaurant that can accommodate 25-75 people. It is perfect for showers, small receptions, meetings, or any special occasion.

Tansey is originally from West Springfield and currently resides in East Longmeadow. He graduated from West Springfield High School and Johnson & Wales College (where he studied culinary arts).

Before taking over **Partners**, Tansey worked at the Monte Carlo Restaurant in West Side, the Springfield Country Club, and the Quality Inn, Chicopee.

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ARMANDO ZAMORA is one of the cooks at the popular Partners Restaurant on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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LAURA DROUIN is the manager of **Partners Restaurant** in Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Tansey also owns and operates **White Gloves Catering**. He kicked-off this business in 1985 with partner Vincent Morisi. For the first 2½ years of **White Gloves**, it operated from **Partners**. But now Tansey has a 2,500 square foot commissary in Chicopee. Tansey manages to handle both business well.

Tansey says plenty of thanks should be given to his dedicated staff at the restaurant, including his manager of four years, Laura Drouin (who he calls his right hand). "I can't say enough about her."

He also credits the rest of his staff for the restaurant's success, including Linda Barry, Tina O'Keefe, Debbie Johnson, Kathy Tansey, and Andrea Tansey. "They are my eyes and ears and the backbone of **Partners**."

Presently, **Partners** is in the process of redecorating and Tansey welcomes all suggestions and comments from his patrons.

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THE AGAWAM FEDERAL CREDIT UNION on Washington Street Extension is continuing its expansion project with a target date of completion near the first of the new year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Prepare Your Home For Winter Now!!!

by **George & Green Real Estate - Main Street, Agawam**

Shorter days and cooler temperatures should be a signal to homeowners to start preparing their homes for the winter months ahead, notes Barbara W. Vaughn, director of Relocation, of George & Green Real Estate Co., Inc. "It's easy to put household maintenance off until a later date, but homeowners can save themselves a lot of time—and possibly money—if they take the time to organize, inspect and fix things around the house before winter arrives," says Mrs. Vaughn.

She adds, "Probably one of the best approaches to maintenance is to set a monthly schedule for inspections and upkeep. Performing a few of these tasks each month can make household upkeep much easier by stretching out jobs to be done so that they don't pile up."

George & Green Real Estate Co., Inc. is a member of RELO/The International Relocation Network, the nation's oldest and largest referral network of independent real estate brokers. The RELO network, head-

quartered in Chicago, provides a wide range of relocation services to assist transferees and their families to sell a house in one community and purchase a new home in the new community. The network, celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, reported more than \$50 billion in total real estate sales volume from its members in 1989.

"As the weather continues to cool and the days become shorter, homeowners will want to change the emphasis of their work from outdoors to indoors. In the month of November, for instance, further preparations for the winter should include having the fireplace and furnace inspected to ensure that they are working properly and purchasing needed items such as new snow shovels and rock salt," notes Mrs. Vaughn.

With the holidays drawing closer, she also suggests that homeowners get a head start on the season by giving the interior of their homes a thorough cleaning.

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Riverside Park Bestows Three Maintenance Awards



BRIAN ALLAIRE receives the "Maintenance Person of the Month" for August from Maintenance Director T.C. Freeman. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RIVERSIDE MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE Barbara Southerland receives a "Performance Award" from T.C. Freeman, director of Maintenance. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ROBERT STAMM, a Riverside Park Maintenance employee, receives the "Maintenance Person of the Month for September Award" from Director T.C. Freeman. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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"With all of the activity of summer, it is easy to let housework slip until a later date, but now is the time to take a weekend to get things in order. Waxing floors, washing fingerprints off of walls and dusting the house from top to bottom will make the house more livable in addition to serving as preparation for holiday decorating," Mrs. Vaughn notes.

She adds, "By starting these projects early, homeowners will have a head start on the upcoming season that will eventually pay off by giving them time to relax during the holidays," she notes.

In addition to providing a wide range of relocation services, the RELO network has entered into an agreement with the Dallas-based Associates Corporation of North America, allowing George & Green Real Estate Co., Inc. and other RELO members to further help homebuyers as well as sellers by offering a variety of financial services for transferees.

RELO also recently announced the formation of two new divisions providing its members with the opportunity to expand activities with both commercial and rental properties.

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Conte, a lifelong Agawam resident, and Geltz, a former business associate of Conte's, began the firm in 1986 with an eye on both commercial and residential customers.

Inter-State Overhead Doors is an authorized Genie service dealer but will come out and service all garage door openers, regardless of the brand. They also carry other lines of openers as well.

Known for prompt service and excellent workmanship, Conte and Geltz offer at least a five-year warranty on all garage door openers they install.

And with the holiday season coming, the gift of a garage door opener for Christmas will be especially appreciated during those cold and dark winter months.

The firm, which is armed with two trucks on the road, is located at 84 Maple Street, Agawam. Twenty-four hour emergency service is available. It also carries a large line of new garage doors, both steel and wooden.

For example, an 8 foot by 7 foot steel raised panel garage door carries a five-year warranty and is one of the more economical products carried by **Inter-State Overhead Doors**. Besides looking nice and being very durable, a typical steel raised panel garage door runs \$329 installed.

Add an electric garage door opener to this for a truly worthwhile and economical improvement to your home, notes Conte.

Other steel doors carried by **Inter-State Overhead Doors** include steel rough sawn flush and wood tone steel; wooden doors available are wood panel construction grade (least expensive), raised panel hemlock, raised panel redwood, a flush door, and a rough sawn door.

The wooden raised panel hemlock and raised panel redwood garage doors are the top of the line, says Conte. "These doors are truly beautiful and are expensive, but our prices are very competitive and we guarantee our workmanship. We are here to stay and people can count on us to be there for them."

Conte says the garage doors can be purchased either insulated or non-insulated.

"When we get a call, we go to the customer's house, do the measurements, and then show the different ways a customer can go. We carry five different manufacturers of garage doors so we can please most customers through our larger variety," added Conte.

Another area where Conte and Geltz have expanded is in replacement windows and passage doors. Conte's brother, John, owner of Little Man Builders, installs the replacement windows and doors for **Inter-State Overhead Doors**. "We are finding there is also a demand for these products as well and again, our workmanship and guarantees are bringing the customers our way," said Conte.

Inter-State Overhead Doors can be reached by calling 789-4166 (office) or 786-6700 (Conte's Feeding Hills home).

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INTER-STATE OVERHEAD DOORS, INC., is located at 84 Maple Street, Agawam. The firm is owned and operated by **JOSEPH CONTE, JR.** (right in photo below) of Feeding Hills and **Mark Geltz** of Enfield (left). It is a Genie authorized dealer. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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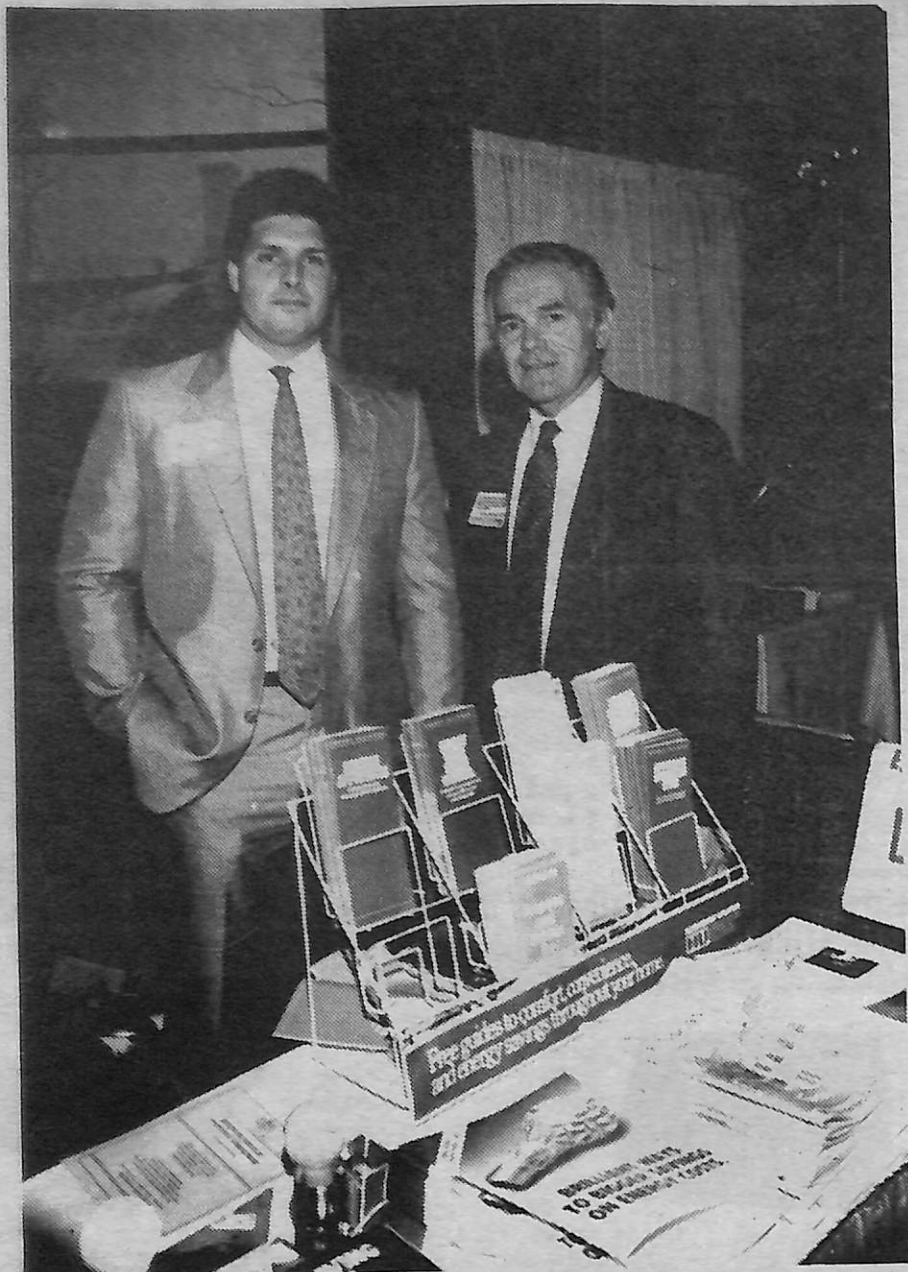
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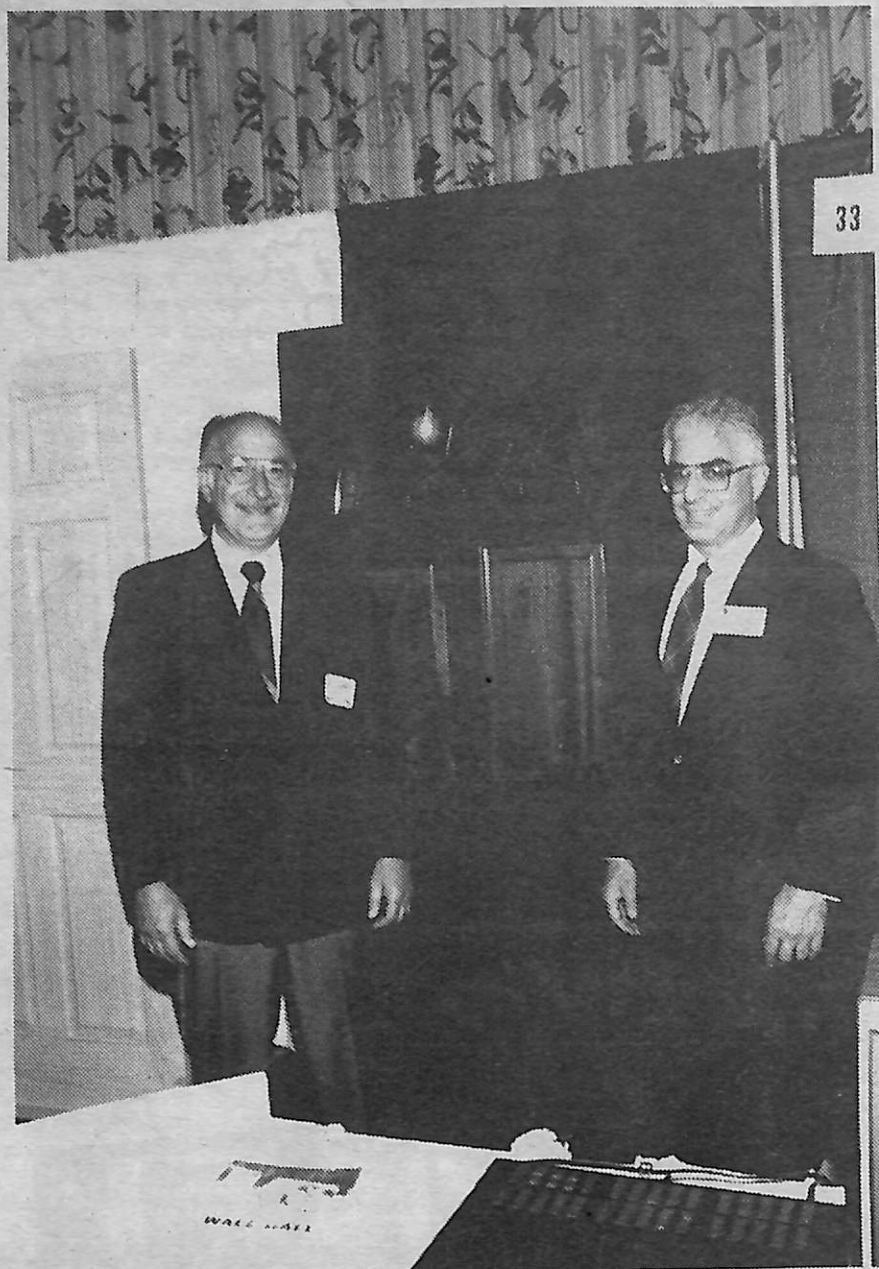
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Agawam At The Building Industry Expo '90



PAUL TANGREDI and JOHN MERCADANTE, both of Agawam, were representing North East Utilities at the Building Industry Expo '90 at Chez Josef on October 16th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LAURENO LUMBER OF NEIGHBORING SUFFIELD set up shop at the October 16th Building Industry Expo '90 at Chez Josef. Owners Mike and Larry Laurenno are pictured above. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



REPRESENTING BAYBANK at the Building Industry Expo '90 at Chez Josef was Beverly Orloski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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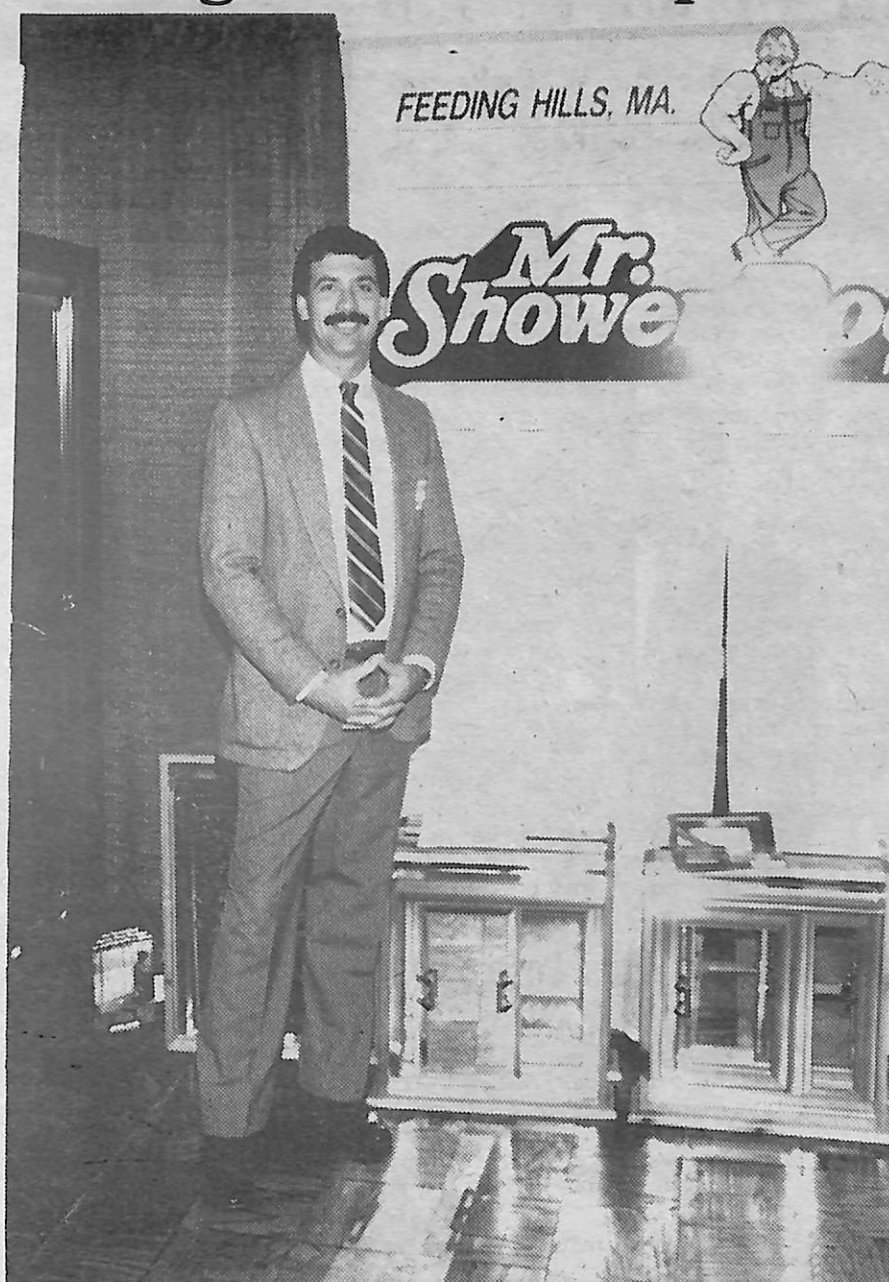
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Agawam Participates In Building Industry Expo



BILL DAUBMANN, owner and operator of "Mr. Shower Door," was one of the tradesmen on exhibit at the October 16th Building Industry Expo '90, held at Chez Josef. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

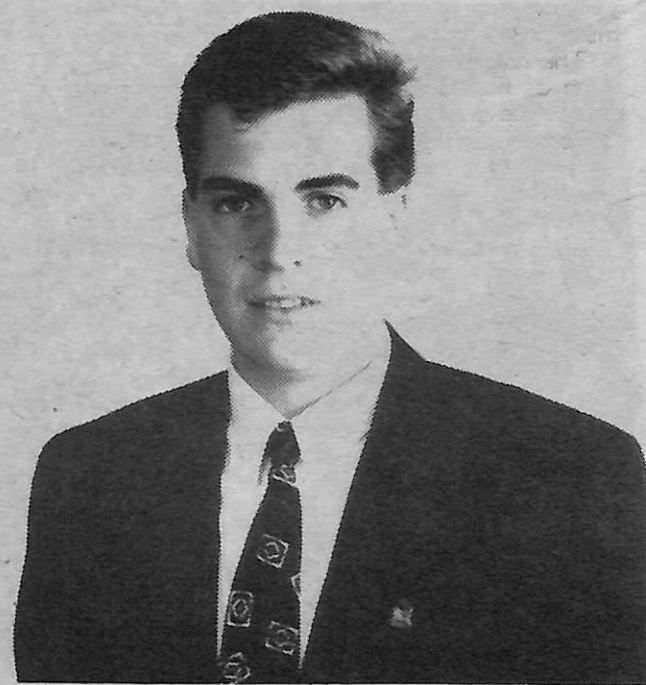
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REPRESENTING WESTFIELD SAVINGS BANK at the Building Industry Expo '90 at Chez Josef were Joan Brouillette and Erika Sheehan. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



RONALD CHAMPAGNE (left), owner and operator of Ronald Champagne Dry Wall Services, set up a booth at the October 16th Building Industry Expo '90 at Chez Josef. Assisting Ron was Charles Johnson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DAVID W. PEMBERTON

David W. Pemberton Serving As United Way Executive

David W. Pemberton, a credit analyst for Old Stone Bank, recently began work at United Way of Southeastern New England as a "loaned executive."

Formerly from Agawam, and now a Cranston, Rhode Island resident, Pemberton is one of 25 business executives "on loan" from their employers to work for United Way during its current fundraising campaign.

Pemberton participated in a week-long training session that included an orientation on health and human services, visits to some of United Way's funded agencies and an overview of workplace fundraising techniques. He coordinates campaign details on several accounts, solicits donations at area work places and serves as a spokesperson for the United Way.

Pemberton is a 1990 graduate of Stonehill College. The goal for the 1990 campaign of the United Way of Southeastern New England is \$15.2 million to serve health and human services agencies throughout the state and nearby Connecticut and Massachusetts. The campaign deadline is November 20th.

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For Your Health

Here Comes Annual "American Smokeout" By Cancer Society

Smokers who want to quit, along with their non-smoking friends, family members, and co-workers will "share the air" on Thursday, November 15th, as the American Cancer Society sponsors its 14th annual Great American Smokeout.

The Smokeout is a day when smokers who want to quit can try quitting for a 24-hour period, with extra support at work, at home, and through the news media. Smoking causes nearly 400,000 deaths each year, the equivalent of two jumbo jet crashes every day, with no survivors.

"The Great American Smokeout is a time when we're reminded that 90 percent of today's smokers started their habit when they were children," said Blake Cady, M.D., President Elect of the American Cancer Society's Massachusetts Division and Chairman of the Society's Tobacco Control Task Force. "The average age for the initiation of a tobacco habit in Massachusetts is now nine years-old."

Part of the reason young people start smoking is the glamorization of smoking by tobacco advertising, Dr. Cady said. "Depicting 'slim' cigarettes and fashionable or athletic models give cigarettes a strong appeal to youth," he said. "Young people who are often struggling with self-image see cigarettes as a means of achieving a similar appearance."

With support from their families, young people can resist the pressure to begin smoking. Parents provide an important role model for their children—children who have a smoking parent are more likely to start smoking as well.

Family support is also crucial in helping someone quit, according to Dr. Cady. "The 1990 Great American Smokeout's 'Share the Air' theme reflects the important role family members play in supporting someone who is struggling to break a nicotine addiction," he said.

Quitting smoking has major health benefits for men and women of all ages—many of which are felt immediately, according to a September 1990 report issued by U.S. Surgeon General Antonia C. Novello, M.D. Benefits apply to healthy people and to those already suffering from smoking-related illness.

*After 15 years off cigarettes, the risk of death from ex-smokers returns nearly to the level of people who have never smoked.

*Men who quit smoking between ages 35 and 39 add an average of five years to their lives. Women in this age group who quit add an average of three years.

*The risk of lung cancer for ex-smokers drops to as much as half of that of continuing smokers after 10 smoke-free years.

*Former smokers have fewer sick days, fewer health complaints, reduced rates of bronchitis and pneumonia, and say they feel better than current smokers do.

With the release of new studies on the health risks of secondhand smoke, the nonsmoking majority is increasingly concerned about the issue, Dr. Cady said. The Environmental Protection Agency this year provided the first estimate of the number of lung cancer deaths caused by breathing other people's smoke—3,800. Secondhand smoke contains 43 known carcinogens, and is also responsible for thousands of deaths from heart disease.

Smokers now make up 26.5 percent of the population, down from an all-time high in 1964, when 54 percent of adult men and 31 percent of women were smoking. There are approximately 50 million smokers in the U.S., and 40 million ex-smokers.

The American Cancer Society will sponsor Great American Smokeout activities in companies, schools, hospitals, and community centers on November 15th. For more information, or for a Great American Smokeout planning kit, call the American Cancer Society, 1-800-ACS-2345.

Noble Hospital Has Program On CPR

Noble Hospital has scheduled two public education programs on cardiopulmonary resuscitation (C.P.R.). The first two-part program will be held on November 13th and 21st from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.; the second program takes place December 6th and 11th, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. All sessions are held in the Education Center at 4-6 Mill Street.

Noble Hospital's C.P.R. course—Basic Cardiac Life Support—teaches participants how to sustain the life of a heart-attack victim until medical intervention is available. The course also covers techniques on treating choking victims and is approved by the American Heart Association.

All instructors for C.P.R. are certified by the American Heart Association in Basic Life Support.

The program is \$25. For further information or to register, call (413) 568-2811, extension 529.

Undiagnosed Vision Problems In Kids

by Dr. Richard W. Gallerani
Optometrist, Crossroad Shoppes
20 Southwick St., Feeding Hills

Every so often but all too frequently I will examine a child who has passed vision screenings but has an undiagnosed vision problem. This is a very frustrating problem for myself and all eye doctors. Some people do not understand that a child's vision must be corrected or an eye turn straightened by age six or seven for the child to develop normal 20/20 vision and normal depth perception. Who is to blame when a child slips through the cracks, i.e., has a vision problem that is not diagnosed and treated in time to correct their vision, resulting in a permanent lazy eye?

Is the pediatrician at fault? In my opinion, no. While the pediatricians do vision screenings which detect many problems, eye care is not their primary area of expertise and they cannot be expected to pick-up all vision problems with a simple screening.

Is the school nurse to blame? Again, no in my opinion. The nurse has to do multiple screenings on the children. Again, they detect many problems but a clever child with a problem may pass undetected. Children are taught not to be incorrect and not to be different so there is a certain stigma attached to failing even an eye test.

Is the child to blame? No. A child does not know what "blurry" is. A child thinks that what he or she sees is what everyone sees. A child will not come to a parent and tell them something is wrong like an injury.

Is the parent at fault? In my opinion, yes. It is extremely important that every parent understand that the vision their child is developing from birth to age six may influence the rest of their life. Uncorrected vision problems may prevent a child from keeping up in school, resulting in their being kept back. Many careers have certain visual acuity or depth perception requirements. It is regrettable to have any child excluded from any career at this young age due to a correctable vision problem that has gone untreated.

It is generally agreed throughout my profession that every child should have a complete, comprehensive eye examination before he or she reaches first grade. Obviously, if an eye turn is evident or if the child bumps into objects, frequently rubs their eyes or squints the child should be examined earlier. Since the problem has to be corrected by age six, the earlier a child is examined and treatment begins the better. I will see children as early as age two. While the equivalent of an adult exam is not possible, many tests to determine prescription, if the eyes are straight, the amount of astigmatism and eye health can be done. Premies and those children on oxygen should also be seen earlier as there is a higher incidence of eye problems. Do not let your child miss out on the clear vision they are entitled to.

Stress Management Institute Has Informational Meeting

The New England Institute For Stress Management will be hosting a free informational evening on Monday evening, November 19th, from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. Dr. Steve Sobel, founder and director, will give an overview of his upcoming four session program "Creating High Self-Esteem For Adults."

The four session program cost is \$95. Each session

will be two hours in length and the schedule will be announced by Dr. Sobel on November 19th. Sessions will be scheduled in the evening as well as during the day.

Call Dr. Sobel at 785-1259 to reserve your place at the free informational evening. The group will have between seven to 10 adults. Offices are located at 425 Union Street, West Springfield.

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New RDAs Call For More Calcium, Less Sodium

The newest version of the Recommended Dietary Allowances has been announced by the National Academy of Sciences' Food and Nutrition Board. Changes in the new recommendation include:

The calcium level has been raised from 800 mg. a day to 1,200 mg. for men and women 19 through 24 years-old. Formerly, the 1,200 mg. recommendation applied only to 11 to 18 year-olds. The upward adjustment is the result of accumulated evidence suggesting that peak bone mass does not occur until a person reaches the mid-20s or even the early 30s. At some time after that peak is reached, calcium begins to be lost from the bones as a natural part of aging. That process can eventually lead to osteoporosis if too little calcium is "on reserve," so it is important to store as much as possible.

Unfortunately, **women are estimated to take in only about 650 mg. of calcium a day.** Women could increase their calcium intake by drinking more skim and/or low-fat milk and eating more low-fat yogurt and other dairy products. Several green vegetables, such as broccoli and kale, provide some calcium, too.

The new RDAs also underscore the need for women to include more iron in their diets. The allowance for women in their childbearing years of 15 mg. is now considered sufficient to meet the requirements of nearly all healthy, non-pregnant, non-lactating women. Still, **surveys suggest women are consuming just 10 to 11 mg. of iron a day or only about 65 to 70 percent of the new recommended allowance.**

Lean beef, fish, and skinless poultry are the best iron sources. Good non-animal sources include beans and fortified as well as whole grains. The iron in these plant foods is not as "available" to the body as the iron in animal foods, but its ability to be absorbed into the system is increased when it is taken in with foods rich in vitamin C. The recommendation for vitamin C itself has also been increased, but only for smokers.

One nutrient the Food and Nutrition Board suggests we should be getting less of is sodium. In the previous edition of the RDAs, a sodium range of 1,100 to 3,300 mg. was recommended. The new version does not give a range but says Americans would be safe with a minimum of 500 mg. a day and alludes to an earlier government report that advises 2,400 mg.—roughly the amount in a teaspoon of table salt—as the upper cutoff point. Presently, the majority of Americans take in anywhere from 3,000 to 6,000 mg. or more of sodium a day, not just by sprinkling salt on food but also by eating heavily processed snacks and other prepackaged goods.

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Shriners To Hold Screening Exams For Kids

On Saturday, November 17th, the Shrine will be offering screening exams, at no cost, to children under 18 to determine if they are eligible for medical care at Shriners Hospitals' Springfield Unit.

Parents of children with problems of the bones, joints, or muscles, or children with healed burns needing plastic surgery can find out if their children are eligible for treatment at Shriners Hospital by attending this free clinic at Mt. Moriah Lodge, 72 Broad Street, Westfield, from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. At any Shriners Hospital there is never any charge to the patient, the patient's family, the government, state, or insurance companies.

Shriners Hospital, Springfield Unit is equipped and staffed to provide care for virtually all pediatric orthopaedic problems, with the exception of acute trauma. The unit has developed a special expertise in the following areas: congenital clubfoot, congenital dislocation of the hip, leg length discrepancies, scoliosis, limb deficiencies, prosthetic restoration, myelodysplasia (spina bifida) full care program, skeletal growth abnormalities, neuromuscular disorders, metabolic bone disease, hand and hip and food disorders.

Clinics such as this one are increasingly being used to find children needing help. Parents who believe their child may need orthopaedic care can call (413) 786-3450 to make an appointment to attend the no cost screening clinic and to determine if their child is eligible for treatment. The eligibility requirements are simple, Shriners Hospital will accept and treat any child under age 18 if, in the opinion of surgeons, the child's condition can be helped, and if treatment at another facility would place a financial burden on the family. When you call simply ask for "FRED."

Shriners Hospital is a family centered care center. The hospital recognizes that the family plays a vital role in a child's ability to cope with an illness or injury. The hospital staff is dedicated to helping young patients develop their capabilities at all levels, physically, emotionally and intellectually, and the family is encouraged to become involved in all aspects of the child's care and recovery. The purpose of all Shriners Hospitals is to provide specialized care to orthopaedically disabled and burned children to help them lead fuller, more productive lives. By promoting the importance of the family and helping it become a stronger support system for the child, the Springfield Unit can accomplish its purpose more effectively.

The unit provides comprehensive physical and psychosocial services to patients and their families. The hospital's Social Service Department helps parents with arrangements for accommodations when necessary, and assistance is often provided to help families with transportation to and from the hospital.

The all new Springfield Unit is a 40-bed pediatric orthopaedic hospital providing comprehensive orthopaedic care to children at no charge. It is one of the 22 Shriners Hospitals. There are 19 orthopaedic Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children and three Burns Institutes throughout North America.

The new Shriners Hospital was built at a cost in excess of \$27 million and is located at 516 Carew Street, Springfield. The facility incorporates state-of-the-art equipment and advanced treatment programs. The hospital has a fully equipped gait laboratory, the only one of its kind in Western Massachusetts.

This screening clinic is being sponsored by Melha Shrine Temple, Springfield, and its Westfield Valley Shrine Club.

The Great Risks Taken By You Smokers

by Agawam Health Dept.

Cholesterol gets all the press, but it's only part of the heart disease story. Smoking, obesity, high blood pressure, and a history of heart disease in the family are among other factors that can boost your chances of having a heart attack.

You can't pick your parents, but you can be aware of your ancestry. If one or more of your biological relatives has had premature heart disease before age 55, you are at risk of early heart disease, too. You may have an inherited condition that causes you to have a high cholesterol level or results in some subtler disorder in the way your body uses fats.

The other point to keep in mind is that these "risk factors" are cumulative. If you smoke and have high blood pressure, your risk is substantially higher than if you just have high blood pressure. If you smoke but have normal cholesterol and blood pressure, your risk of having a heart attack is still about twice as great as it would be if you didn't smoke.

If you smoke and have high cholesterol, your risk is

more than four times what it would be if you just smoked. And if you smoke, have high cholesterol and high blood pressure, your risk of having a heart attack is more than eight times greater than if you don't have any of these risk factors. If you have a family history of heart disease, reducing these risk factors becomes even more important.

The public has been brainwashed to believe that high cholesterol is synonymous with atherosclerosis and heart attack, but it isn't. Cholesterol in the blood leads to heart attacks, but cholesterol in the diet does not raise blood cholesterol as much as saturated fat in the diet. Also, studies are now showing that you have to have certain changes in the artery wall before cholesterol is deposited there, but how this affects a person has yet to be determined.

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MANAGING
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STRESSby Dr. Stephen Sobel
M.S., S.M.C.

DEAR DR. SOBEL: You have written on so many interesting topics and have even answered one of my letters personally. I thank you for that! I would like to ask the following—What does it mean to have high self-esteem? I hear these words so often that the meaning can be confusing. I am also looking forward to hearing from you. Thanks in advance.

P.M., Agawam

ANSWER: Nice to hear from you again! Self-esteem is basically the way a person feels about themselves. More specifically, it means to what extent do you feel capable, loveable, and worthwhile. I have seen people who have high self-esteem accomplish a great deal and feel good about their efforts (whether they win or "lose"). They seem to be able to give themselves the self-encouragement and "positive self-talk" needed to cope with the ups and downs that life has to offer. They see many "problems" as challenges and opportunities rather than adopting a "gloom and doom" type of feeling.

CHOICE HEALTH - continued..

Two more changes of note: RDAs have been set for the first time for vitamin K and selenium. The allowance for vitamin K, which is essential for normal blood clotting, is 80 mcg. for men and 65 for women. Green leafy vegetables are the best source. **Selenium, which is crucial for the proper functioning of heart muscle and now has an RDA of 70 mcg. for men and 55 for women, is found in fish, meat, breads, and cereals.**

"The public should continue to try to eat the way we've been recommending for a long time," says RDA committee program officer Paul Thomas, Ed.D., "with an emphasis on whole grains, fruits, and vegetables,

People who have lowered self-esteem seem to be in a constant battle with themselves. They do not give themselves credit for everyday accomplishments. They are very much influenced by the "power" of negative people, and seem to have a great deal of frustration when it comes to forming relationships that require honesty and "connectedness." The good news is that self-esteem is "workable," meaning that you can go from lowered self-esteem to higher self-esteem by changing certain beliefs, and using proven strategies that help you feel loveable (self accepting), capable, and have the ability to handle rejection fairly well. I greatly support you in going for the high levels of self-esteem which you all deserve!

STRESS CHECK: A special service to AAN readers.

1) Do you wish you had higher levels of self-esteem? Then come join us for a free informational evening! Dr. Sobel will describe his four session program called "Creating High Self-Esteem—for Now and Forever!" The program fee of \$95 covers all four sessions which are two hours each. We accept no more than seven to 10 adults in each session. Sessions are weekly. Call 785-1259 for the date and time of our next free informational session.

2) Dr. Sobel's two cassette audiotape series "Creating High Self-Esteem" is available for only \$18.95. These tapes can greatly assist you in your desire to raise self-esteem. Send check for \$18.95 to Dr. Sobel's Tapes, c/o NEISM, 425 Union Street, West Springfield, MA, 01089. Checks payable to Dr. Sobel. We pay all postage and shipping. A great holiday gift! You get both tapes for this one price!

and low-fat meat and dairy products. By doing that," he says, "it will be easy to meet or come close to meeting the RDAs."

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Colonial Funeral Home Plans
Program On Pharmacists

"Your Community Pharmacist: partner in your health care" will be the topic of the "OPTIONS...for a brighter tomorrow" speaker program offered free of charge by the Forastiere, Colonial, and Southwick Funeral Homes to those in the community who are grieving.

Nick Creanza, president of the Western Massachusetts Pharmaceutical Association and owner of the Campus Pharmacy in Springfield will discuss several topics including: the pitfalls of ordering medications from mail order catalogs; generic drugs—are they saving you money or costing you your health?; combinations of drugs which can be dangerous; dietary supplements and grief...how much to take? Mr. Creanza welcomes questions from participants so that individual concerns can be addressed.

This "OPTIONS...for a brighter tomorrow" presentation is part of the many "Caring Programs" offered free of charge to the community by the Forastiere Family Funeral Homes. It will be held on Tuesday, November 13th, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church lower hall, 123 Williams Street, Springfield, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. For more information, call 733-5311.

STOP SMOKING - from Page 28...

Based upon continual research and studies many medical and professional people now believe that if you use the following tips, you can lower your risk of heart disease.

1. Stop smoking.
2. Exercise to keep your weight down.
3. Stop excess drinking.
4. Eat more of your calories in fruit, vegetables, and grain.
5. Reduce your intake of saturated fats from meat and dairy products.
6. Take one aspirin every other day. (Note: Consult your physician for his advice).

Today, we have to look not at how long we can be kept alive, but what the quality of our life is during our biological life span. Lowering blood cholesterol may not make us live longer, but it will reduce the risk of heart disease, and that should make the last years of life quite a bit more pleasant.

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Match Comforters, Table Rounds

Bedroom window treatments no longer stand alone. Fabric treatments match and coordinate with table rounds, bedspreads, comforters, dust-ruffles and pillow shams.

Growth of fabric, or soft treatments, in the window industry has had a spillage effect into the rest of the room. Consumers want everything to coordinate.

Some choose subtle fabric and busy wallcovering while others prefer an ornate fabric design and subtle wallcovering or painted walls.

Many people choose fabric that matches their wallcovering exactly for window treatments and comforter and then pick a coordinating fabric for dust ruffles and shams. Some people have three or four different fabrics coordinating in one bedroom.

While selecting fabrics for custom window treatments, bedspreads and matching accessories, it is important

to consider fabric qualities and characteristics as well as design.

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Cotton is strong and resists abrasion, but it will fade with time. It is easy to care for.

Acetate looks and feels like silk and drapes well. It is noted for its beauty rather than its strength and is usually not washable.

Silk is a wonderful-looking fabric, but wrinkles will not fall out of it.

Taffeta is a fine-finished fabric that is smooth on both sides and usually has a surface sheen.

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This Week At The MOVIES

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

—Jacob's Ladder

Jacob's Ladder is violent, bizarre, occasionally uncomfortable to watch, and often confusing. And that's the point.

For Jacob Singer, there's a fine line between reality and illusion, between what and what if. It's a mind trip that might have been a bad trip in another time and place.

Jacob's Ladder is nonetheless fascinating; and for those who can sit through to the end, there's a wrap-up worth waiting for.

Tim Robbins is Singer, a Vietnam vet now employed by the Postal Service. Just a regular guy in a regular job with a regular live-in girlfriend. Only his world begins to splinter, and in the shards of his mind lies the terror of unexplained hallucinations and hauntings by demons who turn his life into a living nightmare.

Singer is strong enough to fight back, and goes in search of a rational explanation for his irrational visions, and finds himself meshed in murder, conspiracy, and deception on a multiple of levels.

Robbins has a boyish look — the antithesis of the evil infiltrating his life. He's too much the boy-next-door to be having all these weird dreams and psychedelic experiences.

Elizabeth Pena plays his girlfriend Jezzie, a mercurial character whose alternates between passion, compassion, and anger as her lover seemingly slips into insanity.

Danny Aiello is Louis, Jacob's chiropractor, a sometimes philosopher and Singer's best friend. It's a small but pivotal role, with a line or two of key philosophy that provides the key to the story's meaning; the means to understanding the end.

Patricia Kalember appears as Jacob's former wife, Sarah, touching in and out of scenes so that neither Jacob nor the audience perceives if she is real (or memorex of the mind.)

Macaulay Culkin as Gabe, Jacob's son, wanders in and out of Jacob's mindsight, always a touch away. Culkin's presence, like Kalember's, are the softening agents in an often harsh film.

The war scenes were filmed on location in Puerto Rico and are both brutal and terrifyingly real. So is Singer's insanity.

The answers offered in this screenplay are poignant, gentle, peaceful, and so very final.

Jacob's Ladder is not for everyone. It creates a web of visual and psychological horror that for many viewers will be unpalatable, or simply not worth wading through. For those who can sustain to the end, however, the resolution is worth a kleenex or two to go along with the tears.



MICHAEL (Matt Craven-right), who may have the explanation for the strange things that have been happening to Jacob (Tim Robbins), drags him away from an explosion in "Jacob's Ladder."

—White Palace

What Max (James Spader) sees in Nora (as played with dissipation by Susan Sarandon) is up to your imagination.

But in *White Palace*, the 27-year-old widower Max does indeed fall for the 43-year-old waitress, and there's no real reason why this should be a match made in heaven when there's so much imagined hell on earth for these characters to wade through.

Spader—in a tuxedo—picks up a bag of burgers from the White Palace to bring to a stag party. Being a man of "principle" and six burgers short of the 50 he ordered, he goes back to get a refund of \$2.94 for the 49-cent sandwiches. Guess which mouthy waitress takes cares of him?

Later, a depressed Max gets drunk, and winds up going home with an equally drunk Nora; they fall in lust

(she first) and then into bed (she makes the first move), and they sweep into a backstreet romance where he remains secretly ashamed of her uneducated and uncultured style and she remains ignorant of his family, friends, and life on the right side of the tracks.

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White Palace tries hard to be a cute or tender older woman/younger man love story, but while Spader captures his part relatively well, Sarandon only succeeds in looking a very dissipated 40-plus. And while that look may be right for some roles, it's not right for this roll in the hay. We know she can do so much better.

White Palace leaves one with a few chuckles and a taste of eroticism from some of its steamier seduction scenes; but most of all it leaves one with the uncomfortable feeling of having witnessed something incestuous.

EARLY DEADLINE: The deadline for our Annual Thanksgiving Edition is Saturday, November 17th, at 3:00 p.m. You can drop off your copy at the office all day. If we can help, call us at 786-7747 or 786-8137.

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- ½ cup roasted cashews
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 medium onion, chunked
- ¼ pound fresh snow peas, cut in half
- ¼ pound fresh mushrooms, sliced

Reserving 2 tablespoons syrup, drain mandarin oranges. Blend reserved syrup with stir-fry sauce; set aside. Cut chicken into 1-inch pieces. Heat 2 tablespoons oil in hot wok or large skillet over high heat. Add chicken, cashews and garlic. Stir-fry 3 minutes; remove. Heat remaining oil in same pan. Add onion; stir-fry 2 minutes. Add snow peas and mushrooms; stir-fry 2 minutes longer. Add chicken and stir-fry sauce mixture; cook and stir to coat chicken and vegetables with sauce. Remove from heat; gently stir in mandarin oranges. Makes 4 servings.

Almond Pumpkin Pie (Makes one 9-inch pie)

- 1 (9-inch) unbaked pastry shell
- 1 (16-ounce) can pumpkin (about 2 cups)
- 1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)

- 2 eggs
- 1½ teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup sliced almonds

Preheat oven to 425°. In larger mixer bowl, combine all ingredients except pastry shell and sliced almonds; mix well. Pour into pastry shell; top with almonds. Bake 15 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350°; bake 35 to 40 minutes longer or until set. Cool. Refrigerate leftovers.

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- 1 cup flour
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- 6 tablespoons light cream cheese
- Filling:**
- ¾ cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine, softened
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¾ cup California dried apricot halves, diced (about 4 ounces)
- ½ cup chopped pecans

In food processor, combine flour, butter and cream cheese; whirl until mixture rolls-up into one big ball. Wrap dough in plastic wrap and chill 15 minutes. Meanwhile, prepare filling by combining brown sugar with next four ingredients; beat until smooth. Stir in apricots and nuts. Preheat oven to 325°F. Shape dough into 2 dozen 1-inch balls and place in paper-lined or greased miniature muffin tins. Press dough on bottom and sides of each cup; fill with 1 teaspoon apricot-pecan filling. Bake for 25 minutes or until golden and filling sets. Cool and remove from pans. Cookies can be wrapped tightly in plastic and frozen up to six weeks. Makes 24 cookies. Approximately 110 calories per cookie.



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The 30-man chorus is part of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. This society is the largest all-male singing society in the world.

The theme for this year's show is "Songs of Al Jolson." The Chordsmen will sing many songs made famous by Al Jolson including "California Here I Come" and other songs from that period in musical history. Two chapter quartets, "The Credit Chords" and "Sound Edition" will be heard in the first half of the show.

Also appearing will be "The Note-Wits" one of the Barbershop Society's top comedy quartets from New Jersey. The quartet, now in their 27th year has sung in 33 states, Canada, England, Monte Carlo, and Bermuda. Though they have had many different people singing tenor, lead and baritone over the years, the bass—Ed Keller has sung with the quartet from its organization in 1963. Their colorful costuming and hilarious skits will have the audience rolling in the aisles.

This year's feature quartet will be "The Ritz" from Toledo, Ohio. This past July they finished fourth at the Barbershop Society's 52nd International competition held in San Francisco, California. They have been singing together since 1984. In this short span of six years they have been in the top 15 quartets internationally six times. They have a sound that is guaranteed to leave the audience wishing they could hear one more song.

Tickets are \$8 each and are available in advance by calling Ferdie Labrie, 593-9122, or at the door the night of the show. It will be a great show; get your tickets early!



"THE RITZ" BARBERSHOP QUARTET (Jim Shisler, tenor; Doug "Nic" Nichol, lead; D.J. Hiner, baritone; and Ben Ayling, bass) will be part of a 20th Anniversary Show scheduled for Saturday, November 17th, at Bellamy Middle School, Chicopee.

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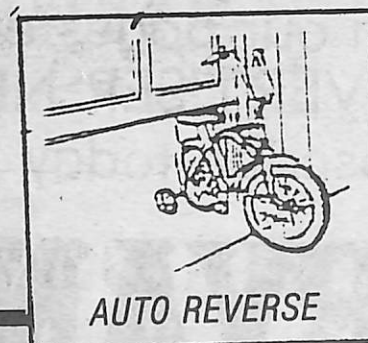
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Ayana Williams In Cathedral High Production

Ayana Williams of Agawam has been cast as the child, Sojourner, in "A Woman Called Truth" to be presented by the Cathedral High School Drama Club November 16th and 17th at 7:30 p.m., in the school auditorium.

The one-act play by Sandra Fenichel Asher chronicles the life of Sojourner Truth from the day she is sold into slavery as a young girl, through her struggle to free herself and her son, to her emergence as a popular and respected figure advocating abolition and women's rights.

"A Woman Called Truth," which combines her actual words with authentic slave songs, spirituals and folk songs of the period, has been honored by the National Endowment for the Arts, the American Alliance for Theatre and Education, and the IUPUI Children's Theatre Symposium.

Faculty advisors to the production are Brigid Wezowicz, Anne Pellan-Shea, Dianne Tebaldi, and Michael Knybel.

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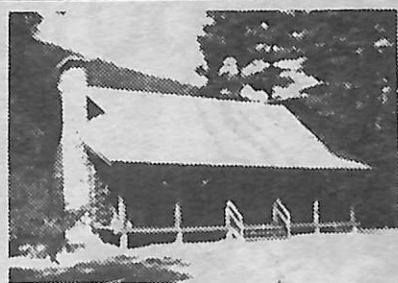
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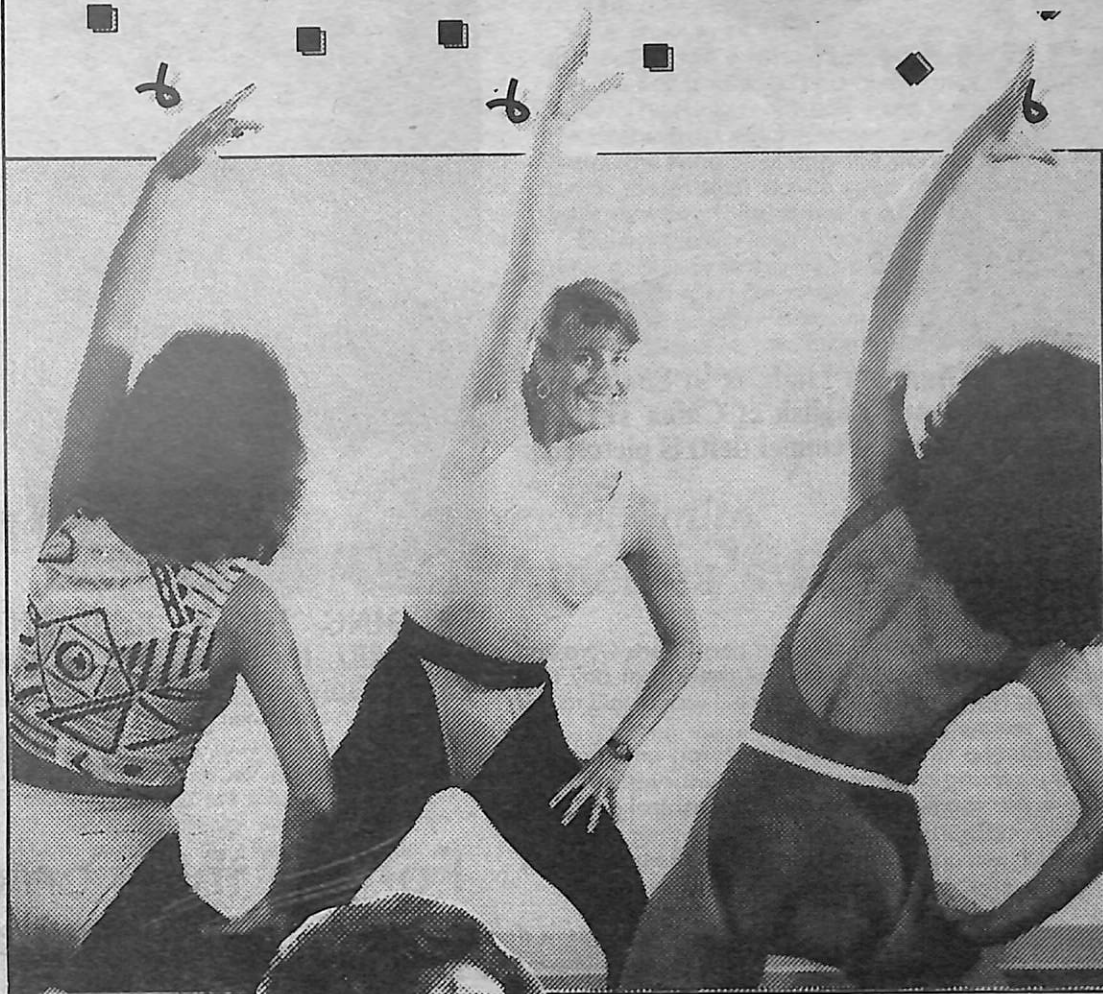
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RICHARD FEMMEL of Feeding Hills, a 1976 graduate of Agawam High, is in Shanghai, China, for one year teaching economics, marketing and finance, and English at China Textile University. This is the second in a series of articles sent to us Femmel. Femmel (left) is pictured with two fellow teachers in Tienamen Square, Beijing.

Part Two Of Series On China...

There Is No Space In Shanghai!!!

Shanghai has a severe housing shortage. It is by far the biggest problem in Shanghai. Some of the living conditions in Shanghai have been described as squalid us Westerners.

Most apartments in Shanghai (no one owns their own house) consist of a small kitchen, bathroom, and two "bedrooms." The main bedroom where the parents sleep is also usually the dining room, living room, and t.v. room. The apartments have no hot water.

The kitchen has a sink, stove (no oven) and small cabinet. The kitchen is too small for the small refrigerator. That goes in the bedroom. The bathroom has a toilet, bathtub, and sink, and is extremely small, usually about 6' x 6'.

It is very common for families to share kitchen facilities. In a lot of apartments, the stove for cooking is in the hall and several families will share it. Or the only bathroom for a family is down the hall. This is less common.

I have been in several apartments that are one room along with a little area for cooking and/or bathroom. The one room is their bedroom, dining room, and television room. I have even been in one person's apartment where the only bathroom for him was in another building.

One of my student's apartments in Shanghai consisted of one "big" room and a bathroom. He and his brother slept in one bed (very common) on one side of the room and his parents slept in a bed on the other side of the room. The cooking area was in the hall and the bathroom served as a mini kitchen where they washed their dishes.

I thought about how poor these conditions were and another student of mine who was there that day told me that his housing was even worse. I was afraid to ask him how worse.

The Chinese never seemed to be too embarrassed about their living conditions because everyone more or less lives the same. Families have no control over their housing conditions. The government or their work unit (company) provides the housing for them and they must take what they give them.

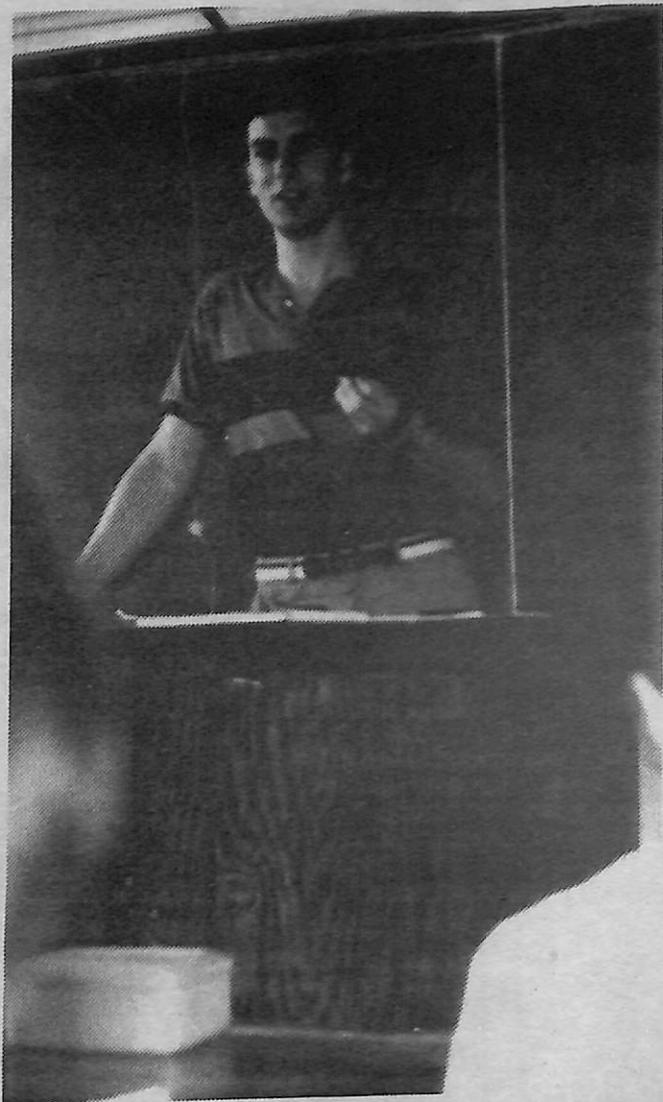
Anyone who doesn't think that Americans are not respected around the world should come to China.

All of my students talk about the United States with respect and fondness. When I ask them what they like most about the United States, they say the **freedom** we enjoy. It is very easy for Americans living in the United States to take our freedom for granted. Living in a Communist country can make you appreciate the freedom we enjoy much more.

It seems that all of my students want to go to the U.S. to live, work, or attend college. When I asked one student why she wanted to go, she said, "*because it's so free.*" She said she wanted to see the Statue of Liberty. That statement said a lot about the hopes and dreams of my students. It is one statement I will always remember from my stay in China.

Another student said she wanted to go to Disneyland and Hollywood. One of my students has a map of the United States over his bed.

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FEEDING HILLS RESIDENT Richard FEMMEL teaches an English class at China Textile University in Shanghai.

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Award-Winning Trumpeter At Symphony Hall

Award-winning trumpeter, Stephen Burns, will lend his brilliant clarity to the next Springfield Symphony Orchestra Great Performers concert on Saturday, November 17th, at 8:00 p.m., in Symphony Hall. Maestro Raymond Harvey will conduct a popular all-Baroque program, which will include Boccherini's Symphony No. 5, Bach's Orchestral Suite No. 1, selected extracts from Handel's *Water Music*, and will feature Mr. Burns playing the Albinoni and Haydn Trumpet Concertos. This concert is the Business Friends of the Arts Recognition Night.

In 1988, Stephen Burns won the prestigious Maurice Andre International Competition for Trumpet in Paris. He has toured the world in recital, as soloist with orchestra, and most recently with innovative multi-media presentations. Originally from Auburndale, Massachusetts, Burns studied at Boston University's program with Tanglewood and was in the Greater Boston Youth Symphony. He premiered two works during the 1988-89 season, one by Ned Rorem with the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, and "Tekiah," written for him by David Stock. Most noted for his clear tone and technical prowess, Burns will no doubt offer a sparkling performance of this program's trumpet concertos.

Opening this special all-Baroque program is Bach's Orchestral Suite No. 1, which starts with a French-style overture, then proceeds with six fun dances. A cellist and respected composer of large magnitude, Luigi Boccherini wrote his Symphony No. 5 as a grand work full

of energy and light. Another prolific composer of the Baroque era, Tomaso, Albino, wrote the Concerto No. 3 for the oboe or other solo instruments in a new style at that time, the three movement fast-slow-fast concerto. For this program, Burns will play it on trumpet.

The program will continue with another Baroque-era masterpiece, Haydn's Concerto for Trumpet, which he wrote for Anton Weidinger, the inventor of a particularly progressive trumpet for that time. Trumpets then were more like the bugles we have today, depending on breath and lips for limited note changes. Weidinger had made a modified instrument using keys which was similar to the valve design used today; so despite the year it was written, the music is a bright challenge for a modern day trumpet.

The final work of the program will be Handel's glorious *Water Music Suite*, written in 1717 for King George I of England for a boat trip down the Thames River. The King reportedly liked it so much, he asked the orchestra (which floated along in its own boat beside the King's) to play the work over 3 times! Written in the French dance suite format, there is a majestic overture followed by a series of sprightly dances.

Tickets are priced from \$5-\$28 and are on sale through the Symphony Box Office at Baystate West or can be charged by phone at (413) 733-2291. Group, senior and student discounts are available. This concert is funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, and the Business Friends of the Arts.

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This student is currently studying his English because he wants to attend college in the U.S. He and his best friend are now memorizing the English dictionary. Every day they memorize 90 new words. He also likes to try and impress me with his command of the English language. One day after class he told me that he was "befuddled" by my lecture. I laughed and told him that no one spoke like that in the U.S.

Being one of the few Americans in Shanghai has its advantages. I get invited to many events and dinners that I wouldn't get invited to if I wasn't an American. The special treatment has included several banquets for the four Americans at our school, front row seating at different events (on and off campus), admission to events that have been sold out, and dinners at students' and faculty members houses in Shanghai.

American music, television shows, and movies are very popular in China. Every day for three hours (between 12:00 noon and 8:00 p.m.) there is contemporary American music on the radio.

On Sunday they count down the 10 most popular songs of the week in the United States. American movies are always being shown on television.

Recently "Norma Rae," "Rocky" and "Patton" were shown on television. Unfortunately, the talking is dubbed into Chinese. It's just not the same seeing Sylvester Stallone talking Chinese.

American television shows are also very popular. Every week you can see "Hunter," "Hotel," "Remington Steele," "Beauty and the Beast," "Falcon Crest" and the most popular show, "Growing Pains." On Sunday evenings "Falcon Crest" is shown in English. Also nightly there is English news from 7:15 to 7:30 p.m. All news, however, is controlled by the Chinese government.

With the recent situation in the Middle East, the news coverage has been surprisingly good. Most reports are taken from the three major networks in the U.S.

Agawam Poet Agnes R. Neylon Smith Sentinels Of America's Freedom

*With marching band, we sent them to war,
To keep the enemy away from our shore;
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*We must never forget the freedom they won,
And the feats of bravery, honorably done;
The peace and security, they brought to our land,
When they answered the call of our Army's command;*

*We must revere and esteem them, all of their days,
And in honor and glory, give them our praise;
The Veterans protected us throughout all the ages,
Shielding our land from the wars' hostile rages;*

*Now, we must show them in a magnanimous way,
Our feelings of gratitude on their own special day;
We owe them our lives for a Country that's free,
They fought for our peace, o'er the land and the sea;*

*This Nation is still our Maker's Domain,
And the homes of the Veterans must ever remain,
They've more than earned the fruits of the past,
We must let them rest on their laurels, at last;*

*So, to all of the Veterans from all of the ages,
Recorded in America's historical pages;
Raise the flag high o'er a proud marching band,
In veneration of our Veterans, for a free, peaceful land.*

WRITER'S NOTE: Composed with the love, honor, and respect I hold in my heart, for all of the Veterans of all of the ages, who secured and maintained the peace and freedom of our great nation, America, "The land of the free, and the home of the Brave."

May the Lord always abide,
Very close by their side.

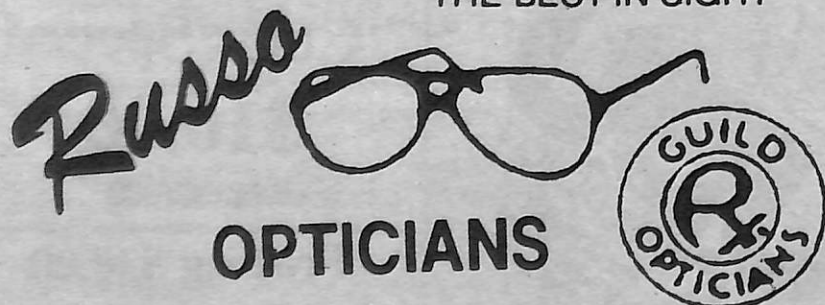
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Education

Former Celtics Player M.L. Carr At Jr. High; 'Stand Tall Vs. Drugs'

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Former Boston Celtics player M.L. Carr (1979-1985) used a novel approach to "warm up" Agawam Junior High students for his "Stand Tall Against Drugs" presentation last Wednesday.

Students gathered in the gym anxiously awaiting Carr's arrival, but still registered surprise when he ran in, dressed in sweats, with a basketball tucked under his arm.

Carr stopped, mirrored their surprise, smiled, then began tossing the ball back and forth with students spontaneously. He had all eyes focused on center court without saying a word.

Prior to the assembly, Mayor Christopher Johnson was on hand to issue Carr a "key to the city" and to thank Carr for his dedicated fight against drugs over the past four years.

Since 1986, Bank of Boston has sponsored "The M.L. Carr Challenge: Stand Tall." The program has been brought to over 70,000 students in over 100 schools throughout Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Rhode Island.

Carr, Bank of Boston's Sandy Shaw, and local bank officials entered Superintendent James Bruno's conference room where many staff representatives from the hosting Junior High awaited. Carr said, "It looks like we're going to have a board meeting!"

Junior High Program Coordinator Gerald O'Malley, advisors of the Student Assistance Program, and Non-Users Club representatives asked Carr to autograph a 1989-90 school yearbook for teacher Maynard Baker, who is now serving in the Persian Gulf. The book will be sent to Baker while he is flying missions overseas in the Mideast crisis.

O'Malley told Carr about the Non-Users Club, and Carr seemed impressed. "That's a winner! I want to join," beamed Carr. Later Carr told students that the Non-Users and D.A.R.E. programs reiterated many of the same principles his challenge offered.

Carr used his fun-loving nature to score two points with his messages of self-respect, positive goal-setting, and resisting negative peer pressure. He said, "We want you to be proud of who you are; that's very important because you can't change it. I'm 6'6", black, and rather cute. But suppose everybody in the room looked just like me: your teacher, principal, father, and mother—oh!"

He said, "I chose to be a basketball player and I wasn't the best, but I gave it my best every time. We need to strive to reach our own potential, not keep wishing to be like someone else." (Carr hung his tongue out in Michael Jordan fashion.) He added, "We all have different capabilities."

Carr challenged kids to recognize when they had problems that affected them and many times put pressure on themselves and those around them. "It's okay to yell help! When you don't yell help, it creates a bigger problem. Deal with it and get it behind you."

He told students the story of Len Bias, "a good person and great basketball player who should have been the cornerstone of basketball tradition. Instead, his mother received a call that he was dead from an overdose." Carr told kids, "The number one problem facing you today is the illicit use of drugs."

He told them, too, that he had received a call because of drugs. He explained his first cousin's denial in the beginning and how "he was beaten to death because he couldn't pay for his drugs" in the end.

"We need to understand what we are trying to accomplish with relationships and in the classroom. Focus and follow through," said Carr. He talked with



FORMER CELTICS PLAYER M.L. Carr receives a key to the Town of Agawam from Mayor Christopher Johnson (right). Looking on is a representative from Bank of Boston's Holyoke Office. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JUNIOR HIGH PRINCIPAL THOMAS O'KEEFE greets former Boston Celtics player M.L. Carr at the school on October 24th. Looking on is Non-Users Club Coordinator Gerald O'Malley. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

kids about 1-800 Help numbers, and other ways to get help with problems. He validated each suggestion by students and concluded, "You have a right to make your own decisions, and with that right comes responsibilities to yourself and younger kids. Stay away from drugs—that's my challenge. It's the only right thing to do. Enjoy yourself, and enjoy one another," said Carr.

Each student received a Carr button and a flyer of "M.L.'s Tips for Kids" to generate long-term interest and support for drug education programs. Principal Thomas O'Keefe was given a beach towel sized memento of the former Celtic's towel-waving exuberance that has won the hearts of many fans, on and off the court.

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Pharmacy FACTS

by George R. Atkins, R.Ph.



DPT-VACCINE UPDATE

For the better part of the last decade, the diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DPT) vaccine has (rightly or wrongly) been associated with the potential for seizures or other problems in otherwise healthy infants. The vaccine lends protection from pertussis (whooping cough) to children under the age of two, who might suffer brain and lung damage from the disease. Now, a comprehensive study from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in Nashville may help put to rest any connection between the DPT vaccine and its potential to cause brain disorders. When researchers followed the condition of 38,000 children who received one or more immunizations, none was found to develop a nervous system disorder within a week of receiving the shots. Only an insignificant rise in fever-induced seizures was noted in the month following the immunizations.

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Perry Lane Children Visit Fire Department



YOUNGSTERS ATTENDING the town's Perry Lane Nursery School recently paid a visit to the Agawam Fire Department to learn about the various jobs of firemen. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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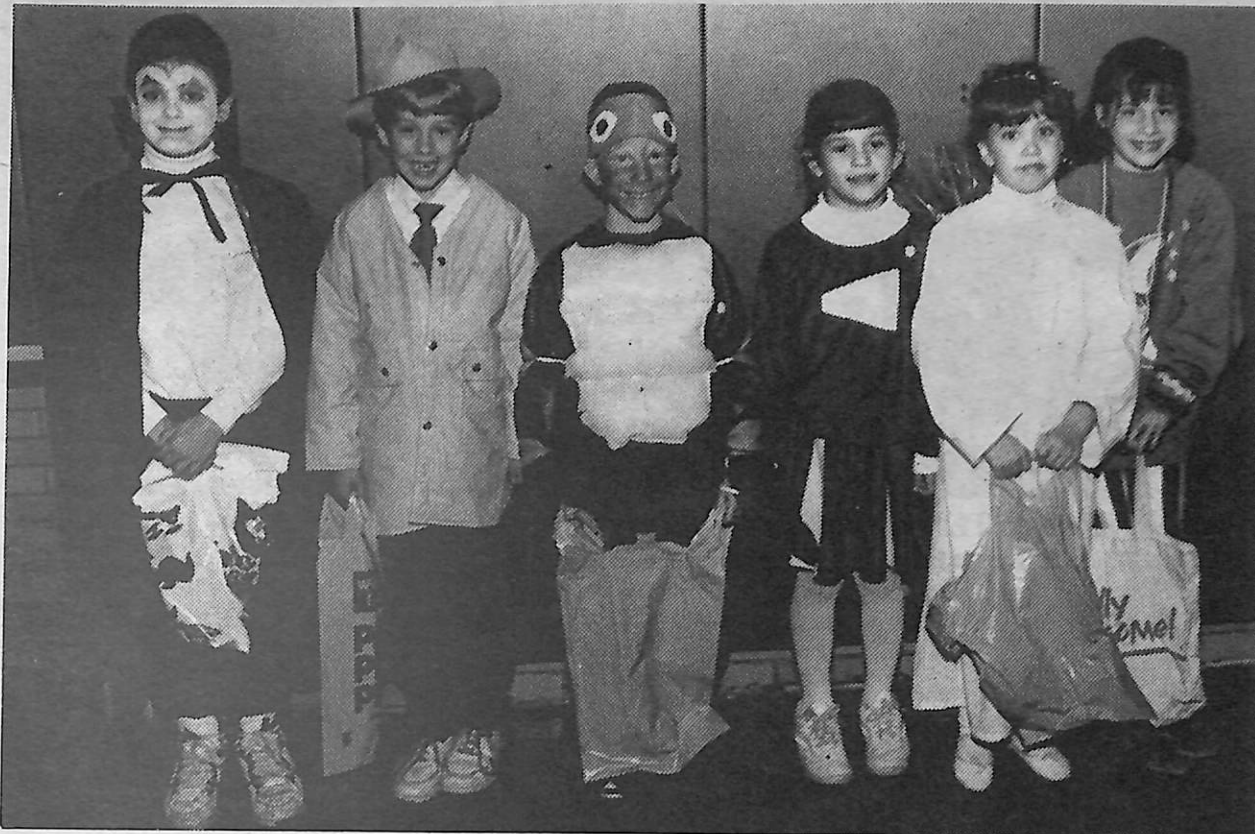
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Ghosts & Goblins In Agawam's Schools



MORE PHELPS SCHOOL GHOULIES, from left - Peter Drewniak, Keith Sullivan, Michael Skala, Laura Montagna, Kimberly Smith, and Marjorie Bilodeau. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MORE PHELPS SCHOOL HALLOWEEN KIDS, from left - Brandon Donovan, Jeffrey Rivkin, Ben Peltier, Vanessa Planzo, Matthew Francis, and Adam Ellsworth. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PHELPS SCHOOL STUDENTS at their Halloween Party, from left - Alison Jackobek, Rachel Lara, Laurie Chmielewski, Lise Bienia, Jules LaValley, and Angie Hayward. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Attendance Down For Halloween In Town's Schools

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

For the 21st year, CASH (Citizens Association for a Safe Halloween) coordinated sponsors, refreshments, and treats to make the holiday happy for Agawam childr. Agawam Police Officer Sergeant Alfred Longhi distributed many of the materials and oversaw the plans along with David Clouse, CASH chairman to accomplish a safe Halloween once again in Agawam.

Longhi did say that attendance for many of the organized events were down this year. He said that attendance for skating at the Rollaway for junior high students was less than 100 kids. (Dances at Agawam High School were eliminated from the Halloween agenda when a planned dance had only a dozen students attend after many hours of preparation were involved and volunteer chaperones found their services were not needed.) He said he is considering the elimination of the junior high students party if attendance is low again next year.

Granger and Robinson Park Schools had about one-half of their student enrollment attend the evening's parties. Longhi said that one problem might be that these sections of town had new families that were not aware of the set-up in Agawam to avoid potentially dangerous door-to-door trick or treating.

CASH was originally established after an incident where a little girl was injured by tampered "treats" and the Safety Officer (now Police Chief Stanley Chmielewski) took steps to reduce risk and injury to Agawam children through chaperoned parties the following year. There has not been a negative incident since the origin of CASH. Chief Chmielewski said, "The money originally came from savings on extra patrols and vandalism."

Each elementary school's PTOs have many, many volunteers help to organize games, entertainment, and serve refreshments at each school on Halloween night. According to Mayor Christopher Johnson, the Town of Agawam pays thousands of dollars to buy bulk candy and refreshments for all preschoolers and students through grade nine for that night. The Lions Club and other non-profit organizations help out with stuffing bags of candy and running stations Halloween night, as well.

One parent accused Sergeant Longhi of "being a Scrooge by taking away Agawam children's trick-or-treating" several years ago. Chief Stanley Chmielewski said, "Children are going to go where their parents bring them. If the parent prefers to take the child to the party and says just that, the child will not have a problem with that." The idea behind the elimination of door-to-door treating in Agawam was to protect our children and keep them from harm, and it has been a success for over 20 years.

All children involved in the organized parties are below driving age which means the burden to transport the children to and from the parties falls on the parents at home. If the parents do not support the idea behind the organized parties, it would seem a futile and costly gesture on the part of the town and many volunteers to continue to produce these parties each year. Longhi contends it is the best guarantee to safeguard our children.

The Agawam Advertiser/News would like parents' opinions on this issue. Please take a few moments to fill out and submit the survey below. Send completed to: The AAN, P.O. Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030-263, ATTN: Halloween Survey

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Retired Teachers Meet For Fall Luncheon



MEMBERS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION, Hampden West Chapter, held their Annual Fall Luncheon at the Oaks on Suffield Street on October 23rd. The group heard a speaker voice opposition to Ballot Question 3 as well as other topics relating to education. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Bernadette Conte Keynote Speaker At STCC Ceremony

Bernadette J. Conte of Agawam, STCC alumna and member of the STCC Board of Trustees, will be the main speaker at the annual Alpha Nu Omega Honor Society induction ceremony, to be held at Springfield Technical Community College on Sunday, November 18th. The candlelit ceremony will be held at 2:00 p.m., in the gymnasium in Scibelli Hall.

Ninety-three graduating seniors at Springfield Technical Community College, who have distinguished themselves academically by achieving a quality point average of 3.5 or above, will be inducted into the Honor Society, the purpose of which is to foster academic excellence. STCC is a charter member of the local chapter of Alpha Nu Omega.

STCC President Andrew M. Scibelli will welcome students and their friends and families to the ceremony. Westfield resident Lorraine Rivers, a student in the Liberal Arts Transfer department and editor-in-chief of the student newspaper *The Ram*, will speak on behalf of the inductees. The ceremony will be led by Dean of Student Services William Manzi, with musical entertainment provided by the STCC Stage Band, which is composed of faculty, staff, and students.

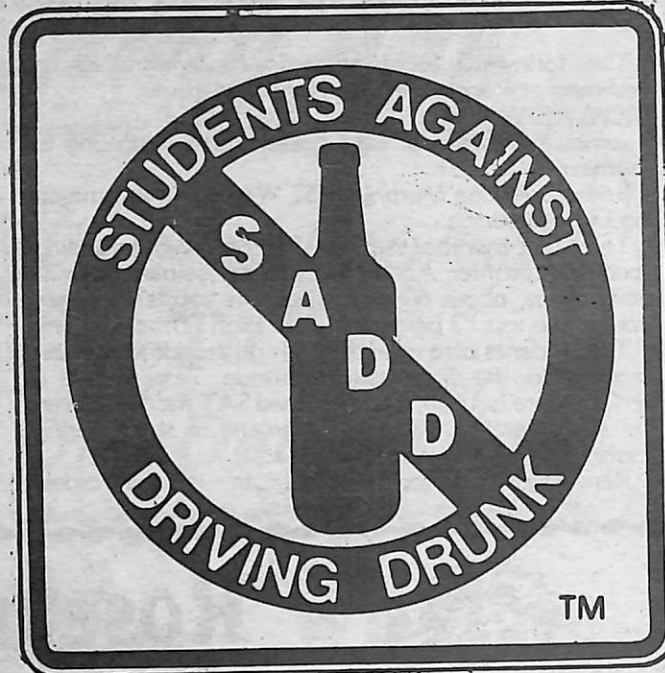
A former member of the Agawam School Committee, Mrs. Conte teaches at West Springfield High School. This year she was listed in *Who's Who Among American Teachers*. In 1987 she was appointed to a five-year term on the STCC Board of Trustees. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the STCC Alumni Association.

Mrs. Conte co-founded Camp Rainbow, Agawam's camp for special needs children in 1977, and has been president of the Agawam Parents Advisory Council for Special Needs Children, as well as a member of the Board of Governors of the Lower Pioneer Valley Educational Collaborative. In 1984 she co-founded the first Tough Love organization in Western Mass.

Mrs. Conte graduated from STCC in 1985, winning several awards including the prestigious Cooligan Award. She went on to Westfield State College for a bachelor of science degree in business, becoming a member of the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society, and receiving the Certificate of Academic Excellence from the Department of Economics and Business Management. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in administration at American International College.



ATTENDING THE MASS. RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (Hampden West District) Fall Luncheon are, from left - Hilda Kane, state director; Dorothy E. Coon, incoming chapter president; Betty Donovan, vice-president; and George Wallis, vice-president (elect). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Mrs. Galarneau Hosting AFS Student

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Tony and Linda Galarneau of Agawam set a precedent this summer when they welcomed exchange student Ana Belen Garcia into their family as a host daughter from Spain. Mrs. Galarneau is the first School Committee member to host an American Field Service (AFS) student on the one-year exchange program in Agawam. AFS came to AHS in 1975.

Mrs. Galarneau's daughter, Kristina, also set another first for the Agawam School Committee last month when she was elected to serve as the student representative on the School Committee for Agawam High School, while her mother serves as a member.

Kristina and her AFS sister (Belen) recently participated in a three-day weekend exchange where Agawam and Suffield co-hosted exchange students from Vermont, Massachusetts, and Connecticut to enjoy planned activities. Belen stayed with an AFS-affiliated family in Suffield while the Galarneaus hosted a girl from Denmark who is staying in Blandford.

Belen has had three years of English courses during her school career in Spain, yet Mrs. Galarneau said there has been a remarkable improvement in her (spoken) English during the three months since her arrival in America. Belen said, "I learned something (in English class) the first year because I had a very hard teacher. She taught us words I didn't forget. In the other years we had a book; we didn't speak English, so we didn't learn a lot of things."

Agawam Junior High teacher William Quinn has been tutoring Belen in what Mrs. Galarneau called "survival English." Mrs. Galarneau said, "She still has a lot of trouble with homework and the high school is very difficult because she still can't take notes. The vocabulary is very advanced for her."

Belen added, "Tony (Galarneau) is different from my Spanish father; he is opposite. My Spanish father is quiet. Tony listens to me read each night. I think I give him a headache."

Tony disagreed, saying he enjoyed helping Belen. He laughed when the subject of food came up though. Belen is extremely fussy when it comes to finding an enjoyable food. "My Spanish mother would blend two or three kinds of vegetables up for me. We always had soup with beans or lentils served with everything. I don't like them," she said.

Looking to clarify whether it was the vegetables or

beans she grimaced about, Mrs. Galarneau confirmed, "Belen has an abhorrence to eating. We have tried everything we can think of, but about the only thing she seems to find somewhat pleasurable are chocolate chip cookies. She doesn't like pizza, French fries, or American apple pie!" Everybody laughed good-naturedly.

While on the subject of food, Belen also said that school in Spain ended about 2:00 p.m. and students went home for lunch. "It is like your dinner here. We have one 20-minute break and one 15-minute break during school. We are always in the same class with the same students. The teachers go to the different classrooms," said Belen. School begins at 8:30 a.m. in Spain.

Belen lives in Madrid, Spain, with a population of five million. She said, "This cold (October here) is like winter in Madrid. Summers are much more hot than here. Summer begins in June and it gets very hot until October. It is very unusual to see snow stay on the ground." Belen is anxious to see our winters.

Another major difference Belen has found is the transportation. "In Madrid we took a bus, train, or subway. We did a lot of walking to close places in the city. You have to be 18 (years-old) to drive in Spain, but you can drink at 16. Almost all students go to dances and disco bars, but I don't think we have a drinking problem. There is nothing in the schools about drug and alcohol education or smoking," she said. Belen graduated last year in Spain.

Belen's older brother, Manolo, visited California a few years ago. He is now 20. The Garcia family has four children, two boys and two girls. Belen said, "My mother in Spain said, 'Go to America. You are going to see a lot of things.' She is a lot like my host mother (Linda)."

Kristina took Belen to Riverside this summer and Belen said that there was an amusement park near her home in Spain which Riverside resembled. Most of the leisure time Belen has she rents movies or goes to the mall. Mrs. Galarneau said, "There are not many places for teens to go; it's difficult for them to find places to go."

In the meantime, Junior High student Michael Galarneau keeps Belen from forgetting what it's like to have a younger brother around.



ANA BELEN GARCIA from Madrid, Spain, with her AFS host mother, School Committee member Linda Galarneau. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Local Students Enroll At Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

The following local students have enrolled as freshmen at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute:

FROM AGAWAM:

James Karl Dion of 28 Charest Lane, majoring in engineering.

Barbara Arlene Murphy of 52 Warren Street, majoring in engineering.

The 1,001-member class of 1994 has an outstanding academic profile. According to Rensselaer's admissions office, about 60 percent of this year's freshmen were in the top 10 percent of their high school classes.

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Arts Council Grant Brings Paper Making To Clark

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Clark School art teacher Marcia Scherpa has received a grant this year from the Arts Lottery to conduct the Visiting Artist Program. Her first artist was the popular Marj Sartori of Southwick to speak with Clark students on paper making.

Ms. Sartori has a degree in art education from Westfield State College and has been a familiar face to the Visiting Artists Program at Robinson Park School and Granger School. She is also a free-lance art instructor and creates her own jewelry.

A gallery was on display for children to admire while Ms. Sartori lectured the students. She used various displays to add a visual aid to her explanation of many terms. "Relief printing or embossing means making a raised design in your paper and pulp painting means the art of making a design with colored paper," said Ms. Sartori.

"Weavings can be added to certain parts of the paper to make designs. Weavings can be made from banana tree fiber, flowers, bark, or handmade yarn. Many materials can be used and will enhance the appearance of the paper," she said.

The pupils learned that by tearing up several pieces of paper, and folding them and arranging them in a certain way, they could create their own collage. "Sometimes you can add watercolors to your own paper," Ms. Sartori said.

"To make paper, begin with basic material such as tree pulp which is the most common. The shiny paper that we use at school is run through heated rollers.

"The mold and deco are put into a vat filled with pulp and water," she said. Children asked, "How did you learn to make paper?" and she answered, "I got some books from the library, talked to other artists, and experimented on my own."

Ms. Sartori teaches evening adult paper making classes at Westfield State and will be offering a porcelain jewelry class in the spring. "This summer I did a Children's Superweek Craft Program through credit-free workshops at Westfield State," she said.

During the first weekend in December Ms. Sartori will have a show sponsored by the Old Deerfield Historical Society at the New England building on the Big E fairgrounds. She will be selling some of her line of jewelry at the Christmas Sampler II Show and "there will be all kinds of crafts there."

At the Fisher Gallery (Route 44) in Avon, and the Farmington Valley Art Center, many of her handmade paper collages and some of her jewelry is displayed and being sold. Wesslean Potters in Middletown, Connecticut, and the Old Statehouse Gallery Shop in Hartford will also have some of her jewelry for the Christmas Show.

Ms. Sartori's jewelry is original and artistic. She said, "Presently I'm working on a new line of jewelry made from polymer clay which is a vinyl resin from a heat-formed process. I was doing unglazed porcelain but I'm learning about metals in courses. I'm now working with sterling, gold, titanium, and niobium. The titanium and niobium can be colored through an anodizing process."

The program was made possible through a grant from the Massachusetts Arts Council and through the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council.

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SOUTHWICK ARTIST MARGE SARTORI brought a program about paper making to Clark School. She is pictured with students Michelle Meloche, Ronald Dutton, Jillian Lawson, and Richard Gardner. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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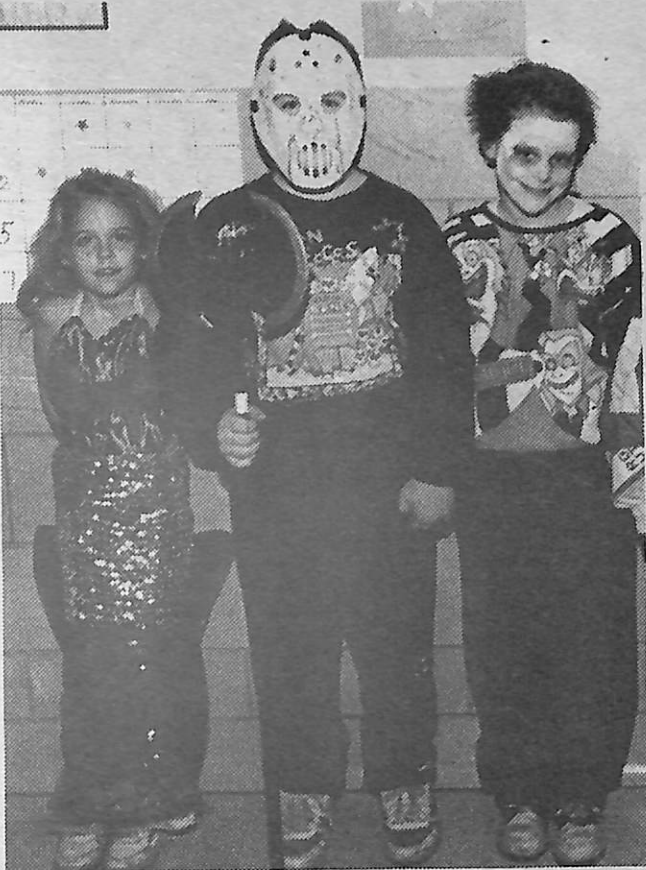
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The Little Ghoulies Of Robinson Park School



ROBINSON PARK STUDENTS at their Halloween Party on October 31st. Clockwise - Emily Haysolett, Brian Benson, Brian Pajak, Francis Barrington, Ryan Hamel, and Joseph Rosinski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ATTENDING THE ROBINSON PARK HALLOWEEN Party on October 31st were students, from left - Daniella Tirone, Crystal Rivers, Heather Adams, Eric Morisset, Libby Sussman, and Allison Davis. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MORE ROBINSON PARK STUDENTS at the school's Halloween Party. From left - Jennifer Lyman, Christine Gallant, Krista Page, Kimberly Sullivan, Katelyn Pisano, and Jaclyn Buynicki. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Michelle Elliott Enrolled At AIC In Elementary Ed.

Michelle Elliott of Agawam is enrolled in the freshman class at American International College, as an elementary education major.

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Michelle is the daughter of Dwight & Lee Elliott, and is a 1990 graduate of Agawam High School.

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AGAWAM MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS, from left - Darrell Malachowski, Alison Pratt, Nick Montesi, and Amy Dubay present a donation from the Middle School's Project D.A.R.E. to help send Agawam High Cheerleaders Sarah Fogg and Cindy Zielinski to London for the big New Year's Day Parade. Looking on is Principal Ralph Zavarella. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Valley Community Kids Visit Fire Department



STUDENTS AND TEACHERS at the Valley Community Church Nursery School paid a visit to the Springfield Street Fire Department to learn about what a fireman does on a day-to-day basis. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

School Bus Drivers Decked Out For Halloween



SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS, from left - Theresa Barlow, Kathi MacKechnie, Sharon Rovithis, Janet Beauvais, Alice Kennedy, Maureen Dumas, Laura Richardson, Caroline Bassett, Sandra Wise, and Terri Gallerani thrilled their young riders by dressing for Halloween. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Monday, November 12th: No School, Veteran's Day.

Tuesday, November 13th: Oven baked chicken nuggets, seasoned peas and carrots, bread and butter, honey and mayonnaise, spiced applesauce with topping, milk.

Wednesday, November 14th: Spaghetti with meatsauce, Italian blend vegetables, garlic bread, fruit cup, or strawberry jello with topping, milk.

Thursday, November 15th: Hamburg in roll, steamed rice, niblet corn, pineapple tidbits or white cake with chocolate icing, milk.

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Phelps School - Grade 2, Rm. 15 Ann Drinkwine, teacher

Halloween Fun

I like Halloween because it is scary and fun. Ghosts come out at night. I want to be Elvis for Halloween. I like the school parties. They are fun.

Christopher Rouvellat

The Halloween Story

Once upon a time there was a pumpkin that was afraid of everything. He was scared of bats. He was scared of people. All the time he wanted a friend. But once he saw a girl pumpkin. And the pumpkin loved the girl pumpkin. The girl pumpkin loved him. So the girl pumpkin came over to him and said, "What is your name?" "I don't have a name. What is yours?" "My name is Mary. Do you want to be my friend?" "Oh yes," said the pumpkin. "I would." "I love you." "I love you too."

Laurie Chmielewski

My Halloween

I want to be a black cat. A pumpkin is part of Halloween. I bet my Halloween is going to be fun. There are witches and spiders on Halloween. I have two Halloween cats. One is black and one is orange and brown. I like to go trick-or-treating in school.

Meghan Trudell

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Phelps School - Grade 2, Rm. 9 Bridgette O'Brien, teacher

The Broomstick Ride

The witch and I went on her broomstick for a ride. I liked the ride. It was fun. We were high off the ground. We went through clouds. We went to her house. Her house was down on the ground. We went to her house and it was scary. We had fun. Then she took me home.

Kimberly Smith

The Witch's Brew

Witches like to make potions. They like to put in bats, spiders, slime, and mice. Then they let someone drink it. A lot of people say it's yukky. Only witches like the potion.

Timothy Ranstrom

The Witch's Brew

The witch's brew has snakeskins in it. It has bat eyes in it. The brew has skunk weed in it and bats and mice. It has worms in it and slime. It has spiders and cobwebs mixed in. The witch cooks it on a stove.

Ryan Malanson

The Broomstick Ride

I went on a broomstick ride. I saw some children trick-or-treating in their costumes. I saw a ghost fly by, too. I saw a full moon with another witch and a cat on it.

J. Grant Gordon

The Witch's Brew

The witch put water in the brew. She put it in her black pot. She added snakes in and frog legs and ladybugs to it. She put slime in. She put in termites. She put skunk weeds in the brew. She put spiders in it. It was very good!

Bryan Ghedi

The Witch's Brew

One Halloween night, Links the witch made a brew. It had skunk weed, bat eyes, stones, and frog legs in it. Links stirred the brew. Links put some boiling water in the brew. It was boiling hot. Then Links the witch added worms, ants, and lady bugs wings. Then Links went inside. The house was filled with cobwebs, and mice, and old skeleton slime. Links said, "I am hungry!" She went back outside and ate that brew until it was gone! The End.

Amy Jensen

The Broomstick Ride

Once a witch flew by and picked me up onto her broomstick. It was fun on the broomstick ride. I liked the broomstick ride. The broomstick changed color. It was green and then brown. The witch bumped into lots of trees and clouds. It was a fun ride.

Megan Landry

The Motor Powered Broom

I went on the motor powered broom with a witch. The motor powered broom is fast. We did flips. It was scary. But it was fun. We flew for a long time. We scared a lot of people. Her cat climbed on my shoulder. Her cat was black and had green eyes. We flew 12:00. When she dropped me off I was very tired. I slept all the next day.

Anthony Leclair

The Broomstick Ride

One night I was walking down the street to the Phelps school Halloween party. Out of the blue came a witch on her broomstick. She swooped down and picked me up. Before I could run, I was on the back of her broomstick. Then all of a sudden her cat jumped on my shoulder. "Yikes," I said. Then we went to her house. It was spooky. Then I heard ooooooh. It was a ghost. Then we arrived at the witch's house, and then we had a Halloween party. It was fun.

Justin Campbell

The Witch's Brew

The witch makes stew in her pot. She puts snakes in it. She puts in fishes and bat wings in it. She eats it all.

Christopher Tessier

The Broomstick Ride

I was on a broomstick ride one night with a witch. She took me far away. She took me to her haunted house! She had stew cooking. There were bats in the stew. It was steaming. It looked gross. There were mice and snakes in it. She ate it all and took me home.

Elizabeth Doan

The Broomstick Ride

Once I got swept up by a witch on a broomstick. She brought me to the moon. Then she brought me to her house on the moon. She almost put me in her soup. I stopped her. She put me back on her broomstick and flew off. We were flying for a long time. We stopped and she got off. I said, "What are you doing?" She said, "Nothing." I got off and snuck away. I didn't know how to get off the moon. Then I saw a spaceship. I called to it and the spacemen let me get on. They flew me back down to Earth.

Michael Federico

Open House At High School Slated For December 4th

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Principal John Morrissey announced that a change of date will be made for the Agawam High Schools' first scheduled Open House.

Morrissey said this will not affect the issuance of report cards, which will be either the end of the week prior to Thanksgiving on Friday, November 16th, or the week of the holiday.

He said, "The planned Open House for Wednesday, November 28th, will have to be postponed until Tuesday, December 4th, because of adult evening classes by STCC at our school. The evening classes would cause too much confusion during the original date of Open House in November. There are no scheduled evening classes on December 4th."

At least two announcements will be made over the public address system during regular daytime classes to notify all students that the AHS Open House will be held on Tuesday, December 4th, from 7:00 to 9:00

p.m., for parents of all high school students.

AHS English teacher and publisher of the Parent-Teacher-Student Organization newsletter (*Brownie Banner*), Joanne Brown, has also asked that parents of high school students contact her if there is any interest to participate in the high school PTSO. She said that with the resignation of the PTSO president this year, there is a need to establish new leadership in order to keep the lines of communication open between home and school.

Parents are encouraged to participate by sharing new ideas, volunteering time, attending discussions, and supporting their students' educational needs.

Ms. Brown may be contacted by calling 789-1400, at the high school extension or sending a note to her attention in with your student to be left in the main office.

KIDS KORNER - from Page 48...

Halloween Night

I like to go in a haunted house at night. We go to a big party and get a lot of candy. I like Halloween because you and I get to see other costumes. This year I am going to be Dick Tracy. I like to go to the school parties.

Brandon Donovan

Halloween Fun

On Halloween people dress up in different clothes. They knock on doors. They scare people when they dress up in their costumes. They like to go trick-or-treating. People give them candy. People go to Halloween parties. They have fun when they go to Halloween parties. They bob for apples. They get scared when they walk down the street. Halloween is fun.

Jesse Kelleher

Halloween Day

It was October 29. I was scared because it would be Halloween in two days. I was going to be Frankenstein for Halloween. My sister was going to be a witch for Halloween. Mom said it was time to go to bed. The time was 9:00. It was late at night but I couldn't sleep. Finally I got to sleep. The next day I woke up. I had a busy day with my friend. Then I went to bed. It would be a big day tomorrow.

The next day I got dressed, ate breakfast, and brushed my teeth. It was Halloween. My sister was happy. My mom and dad were happy. But I was scared. At the bus stop everybody was telling everybody else what their costumes were. Frank was going to be a Dracula and Mary was going to be a gypsy. Keith was going to be a bat and Tiffany was going to be a unicorn. At school we talked about Halloween. We were going to have a party at school for Halloween.

At night we went to the party at school. It was fun. But at the show I was scared. It was so scary. Then I went home. I went trick-or-treating. I got lots of candy. It wasn't so bad any way.

Janet Jock

Halloween

My favorite thing in Halloween is the candy. I like the costumes and the decorations. I like Halloween because we go trick-or-treating. I like to see all the scary costumes. I like to hear the bats. I like the programs that they make for the school party.

Vanessa Planzo

Halloween

On Halloween I like to go trick-or-treating. I see jack-o-lanterns on the steps. I see scarecrows. I see bats in the sky. I like to see the moon and witches, too. Mice crawl through the streets. I see cats in the streets. I carve pumpkins. I am going to be a turtle. I scare people. I can go to the haunted house at school.

Nicholas Bordon

Halloween Night

Halloween is a fun holiday. People say that when a moon is out a werewolf comes. On Halloween a lot of kids come to your houses. Sometimes you will see a bat or a black cat and a lot of pumpkins. You might see witches too. Have a good Halloween!

Jeffrey Rivkin

Halloween Is Today

I'm going to be a pirate and my brother is going to be Dracula. It was Halloween and we went to houses and homes. It was fun. And we had lots of candy. My mom checked the candy. We went to school and went trick-or-treating there too. I like Halloween.

Kenneth Eggleston

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Sports

Top Seeded Ludlow Drops AHS In Semi-Finals To End Hopes Of Repeating As Champs

by Bob Johnson

Advertiser News Sports Editor

Picture a balloon full of kids. Rising up, up, higher, a little higher. Now, picture a great pin on a collision course with that balloon.

The balloon was a young group of Agawam High girls' soccer players in 1990. Led by a group of solid seniors, yet sprinkled with talent all the way through the freshman class, the Brownies enjoyed a fine season.

Coach Bill O'Brien's troops had survived the very tough Division I schedule. The Brownies had made the playoffs and won their quarterfinal match. They were 80 minutes away from getting a chance to defend their Western Mass. title a year ago.

The pin was the speedy crew from Ludlow High. Beaten only once in a murderous schedule, the Lions were heavily favored on their own field. They had pummeled the Brownies (7-1) several weeks ago at the same location and they had that confidence from which to summon strength.

For O'Brien's team it seemed imperative that they grab the early lead and march along fueled by momentum. They also could go another route. Ludlow had the wind in the first half and Agawam left for halftime with the score deadlocked at 0-0. The Brownies might have had a flashback to last year's Western Mass. Final with West Springfield.

In that game, Agawam kept the Terriers off the scoreboard in the first half at Bulens Field in Westfield. Gale force winds were in the Brownie faces before intermission in that game. Once they got the wind, they carried the play and won the match, 2-0.

Neither of the aforementioned scenarios took place and the Lions sent the Brownies out of the playoffs with a solid 4-0 win on Tuesday afternoon.

The first half was outstanding soccer from the Brownie perspective. Ludlow (again) showed early speed and forced Joy Clark, Sharon Phaneuf, and Erin Brown to win footraces to avoid Lion break-ins. The Agawam trapping defense continually foiled the home team.

Meanwhile, Brie Cosgrove, Nicole DeCosmo, and Tracie Dimascola got a few chances to handle the ball on the front lines, but they had nothing to write home about as far as quality chances.

Clark and Bonnie Manchester (Lion sweeper) actually dominated the game's first 30 minutes. As all the action was funneled to the middle of the field, the two outstanding defenders simply booted balls out of danger and sent the two teams in the other directions.

Katie Burns, Jennifer Lomelino, and Amy LaPlante played marvelous in midfield. They stepped in on many Ludlow attempts to advance the ball and they got the ball nicely up their respective wings. Agawam looked good and Ludlow looked sluggish.

Dimascola nearly got Agawam the big goal with 8:20 to play as she almost reached a LaPlante chip. Ludlow goalkeeper Katie Clifford dove in front and smothered the ball. Dime was maybe a tenth of a second late as she burst to the middle from right wing.

Kristen Alechney had the biggest job of the day as she was tasked with marking Ludlow star Stephanie Chmura. The junior sensation got away only once in the first half and Clark made up ground with her angle on the play to force Chmura to fire wide (left) of Agawam keeper Kim Trudel.

Then at 6:52, it began to unravel for the Brownies. It was a most innocent looking play at the outset. Ludlow had an indirect kick from near midfield on the right wing side. The ball was blasted high in the air to the middle of the field.

Clark spread out and prepared to head the ball out. The ball hit her squarely on the top of the head and went directly up and spun behind her. Since Clark is the last line of defense in front of Trudel, this caused problems. Those problems came in the person of Erica Robbins.

The left wing raced to the ball before Clark could retrieve it and she crashed a wicked drive directly into the top right corner. It was a most fortuitous bounce for Ludlow. It was an outstanding shot by Robbins. Ludlow had the lead.

Now coming from behind against Ludlow is no pic-

nic and it proved so on Tuesday. Robbins converted a feed from Chmura at 32:48 of the second half and the Brownies were in big trouble.

Cosgrove gave a super effort in front of Clifford at 31:20. Clifford, a ball of fire, dove into the area to collide with Cosgrove and averted the dangerous play. Agawam kept coming. Cosgrove got a couple more shots on; Burns almost snuck a bomb inside the left post; Stephanie Mason just missed on the right side. The Brownies gave it all they had. It wasn't enough on Tuesday.

Robbins picked up her hat-trick at the 12:27 mark with a most entertaining goal. She took advantage of Agawam's pulled-up trap and raced three quarters of the field on right wing. She cut toward the net and left-footed one into the near corner. Super stuff. 3-0, Ludlow.

Chmura closed the scoring with a left-footer with 2:29 to go. Ludlow now plays in the finals. Agawam might go watch. I know O'Brien will.

And Mr. Bill will be charting plays for next season beginning Monday morning. Of that, I am certain.



TRACIE DIMASCOLA of the Agawam Brownies (white uniform) outflights an opponent for the ball as Jen Lomelino (back) looks on. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Beautiful Berkshires Not So Kind To Hosts; Brownie Girls Drop Wahconah In Quarters

by Bob Johnson

Advertiser News Sports Editor

It was a beautiful day for a drive to the Berkshires. Indian Summer blazed across the Western Massachusetts town of Dalton for the setting at the outset of the girls' high school soccer Division I quarterfinal.

Coach Bill O'Brien brough his fifth seeded Brownies of Agawam High to face Wahconah Regional High of Dalton. The Warriors were seeded fourth in the nine team field of Division I teams.

Agawam, the defending Western Mass. champs, had suffered four defeats in 1990; Wahconah had lost only one contest and that was just two days earlier in the Berkshire County championship game.

Folks were still trying to find Jeff Reardon of the Red Sox in the fine midday shirt-sleeve crowd when AHS struck early. Senior Brie Cosgrove converted a Katie Burns feed with just 5:15 gone in the game. Cosgrove moved off left wing, accepted a great pass and pumped a right-footer into the top right-corner over goalie Carolyn Beaulieu.

Though exciting, it was never much of a contest after that. Agawam repeatedly stopped the ball at midfield and sent the Warriors backpedalling toward their own net. Agawam won the game easily despite the final of 2-1.

This set-up a semifinal match with top-seeded Ludlow on Tuesday, November 6th, in Ludlow. The Brownies defeated the Lions 1-0 in last year's quarter-

final (SEE RELATED STORY IN THIS EDITION).

The AHS defense was in playoff form and were simply unbeatable. Jennifer Lomelino, Katie Burns, and Amy LaPlante stopped-up everything at midfield and repeatedly beat Wahconah to the ball. Their quickness and hustle allowed Agawam to keep control of the game.

Wahconah played a fine game defensively. It stayed on its "marks" and got solid play for its backline players. AHS may have busted the game open had it done a more effective job of surveying the field once it had possession of the ball.

Cosgrove and Nicole DeCosmo stayed wide on their respective wings and had open areas to roam on the outside. However, most Agawam advances were right up the middle and the Warriors clogged that area very well.

Joy Clark played a monster game for the Brownies as sweeper. Though not tested very often, Clark made every single play in her area of responsibility all day. After two big plays early in the second half, she seemed to take the spirit out of the hustling Wahconah forwards.

These were two sterling defensive stops. The first was winning a race for a pokeaway on right wing. The second was a daring step-in near midfield that brought a dangerous Warrior bid to a screeching halt.

Agawam had brought its lead to 2-0 by that point anyway. Cosgrove, who had scored both goals in Agawam's 1-0 quarterfinal and semifinal wins a year ago, equalled that total in this year's quarterfinal. With 1:36 to play in the first half, she shifted to the middle from her normal wing position.

A Warrior defensive breakdown on a big jam in front saw the ball roll dead 15 yards directly in front of the cage. Brie raced to the ball, cleared out and sidewheeled a shot just inside the left post. It was 2-0. It might as well have been 200-0; those goals were plenty.

O'Brien enjoyed himself immensely in the second half. He played substitute player after substitute player. Each kid went out and played hard for stretches of three and four minutes. He rotated all his players and kept them fresh. They didn't get many shots on the cage. But the ball was always in the Warrior end of the field. Frustrated by the events in front of him, the Wahconah coach finally picked up a yellow card with 22:00 to play.

The Warriors got its first shot on goal with 16:00 to play and Kim Trudel easily made the save for the Brownies. The action shifted back to the other end of the field for the next 13 minutes.

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Panthers Drub Brownie Gridders, 35-6

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

I remember a pep rally back in high school (Davenport, Iowa—better known for Roger Craig and Michael Nunn than Bob Johnson) when we had a pep rally for a big Friday night football game.

The cheerleaders came out and told the assembly that they had come up with a new cheer for that game. The girls were all supposed to say, "What are we eating, what are we eating?" and the boys were to respond, "Panther meat, Panther meat." Yeah, it was stupid, but we did it. We did it only once.

You see, the Panthers were a bunch of big bad dudes from East Moline, Illinois, and we never had a chance! They beat the living stuffing out of us and sent us home crying. I think it was 59-6, maybe 59-0.

I thought about that early in the game Friday night when the Panthers of Cathedral invaded Harmon Smith Field in Agawam for a tilt against the Brownies of Agawam in high school football.

The Panthers came in and were ahead 14-0 with 3:10 still to play in the first period. I was hoping that the Brownie cheerleaders had never heard about that "What are we eating?" cheer. It was obvious that the residents of Agawam were to be eating nothing but crow that night. Panther wasn't even on the menu.

Cathedral went on to pound Agawam 35-6. The loss dropped the Brownies to 1-7 with just two games remaining in coach Dean Vecchiarelli's rookie season at the helm.

One week after Agawam had learned how to win, they destroyed themselves—and any chance that they

had to win—with mistakes early in the first quarter. They dug themselves a hole from which they could not climb out.

Agawam had the first possession and was unable to move. Keith Hargis stood at his own 19 yard line to punt the ball away to the Panthers. He couldn't handle a rather high snap and was forced to fall on the ball and under Cathedral's Cedric Lee at the 10, Cathedral took over.

Now, Agawam's young defense has had its problems this year, but no defense can defend against the "short field" time after time. Milo Brown of Cathedral danced to the five on first down and to the end zone on second down. Cathedral made the point and led it 7-0 with only 2:30 minutes played in the game.

Agawam fumbled the kickoff, but alert Tony Santore recovered for the Brownies. Quarterback Mike Briggs fumbled on third down, recovered it, and was sacked at his own one yard line. Now, Hargis was in a world of hurt. Obviously nervous about the previous punt formation problems, he was now faced with standing only 10 yards behind his center. This time the snap was true, but five Panthers invaded the end zone in hopes of blocking it. Somehow, Hargis got the ball away, but it travelled only to the Brownies' nine. Somebody got a couple of fingers on it.

This time, it took Brown three plays to figure out a way over the goal line. He made it on third down from the two and the Panthers were off and running. With only five plays from scrimmage and 19 yards of total

offense, the Panthers had a 14-0 bulge.

Down, but not out, Agawam actually took over the remainder of the half. They had two possessions and ran a very tough and diversified offense down the field. On the first possession, they ran six minutes of clock picking up three first downs, but had to punt when they lost 14 yards on yet another fumble. Stu McGregor made the recovery for Agawam, yet Hargis was forced to punt again.

Brown and Lee combined for a first down to the Agawam 41, and then Marcus's little brother really showed his stuff. He burst through the line, found himself a little sideline, and rambled for the third Panther score. 21-0 Cathedral with 5:39 to go in the first half.

Agawam finally got themselves a little respect on their final possession of the half. It was a great dive. Taking over at their own 29, Hargis punched out one first down from tailback. Briggs hit Jon Maki in the seam along the left hashmark for a 19-yard play to the Cathedral 30. Chris Roy converted a third and nine by slashing off right tackle for 14 yards to the 15. Briggs followed that with his second successful quarterback draw of the game as he ran his way to the Panther five. Two plays later, Roy tried the middle for a two-yard TD. Another bad snap cost the Brownies the extra point. It was 21-6 at halftime.

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Beat Wahconah - from Page 50...

Then, perhaps as one last ditch attempt to remain alive, Wahconah began to play much, much better with 3:03 to go. It moved the ball crisply and often and were getting the better of the action. It was a tap late but the home folks began to get the partisans pumped up.

At 1:28, Erin Pero reached a rolling ball 12 yards in front and blasted a left-footer on the ground to Trudel's right for the score.

The final minute-plus was chaotic, of course, but most of the action saw Wahconah trying to run down Agawam's clearing passes. There were no real threats.

Veterans in the area expected Agawams to win the game handily. Rarely do the Berkshire clubs figure in with the iron of the Springfield area. Still, the game had to be won on the field and the Brownies played a very good game to accomplish that task.

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The Point After... Long Day For AHS Football On Saturday

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Don't tell me there wasn't any mystery or suspense in the Cathedral game. Well, actually it didn't have anything to do with the game, but as I walked across the baseball field to get to the football field, I heard the band coming across left field toward the far entrance to Harmon Smith. And they were playing a song. I wish I could play "Name That Tune" in the newspaper; I just can't figure out how to do it.

Anyway, I knew that it was a TV theme song from a 30-minute TV show from days gone by, but I couldn't figure out what it was. I hummed that darn thing to myself for two hours (mainly because spotter KEN COOK took the night off again to sit around a round table with three or four others to smoke cigars and pass little cards around). I couldn't get that song out of my head. It never dawned on me to ask a band member what it was, but that's another story.

Finally, I found assistant soccer coach MIKE LAZAZZERA and he figured it out for me. Not right away, mind you, but just as we were jumping in our cars. For those of you who are still reading this, the band was playing "I Dream of Jeannie." Incidentally, Barbara Eden (Jeannie) will be reunited with Larry Hagman (Major Nelson, J.R.) on *Dallas* this season...

Speaking of LaZazzera, I think he wants to beat me in our rematch. After getting myself down to my fighting weight (187), he turns me on to PAJERS, that little sub shop over by the high school that everyone knew about but me. You know the place. It's the one that sells you nine dollars' worth of meat and four dollars' worth of roll for two bucks. Now, I can't stay away...

And speaking of sub sandwiches, assistant coach ERIC LUNDEN was down from his five hamburgers to only one ham and cheese grinder after the Panther game. Coach VECCHIARELLI did allow this tidbit: "Of course, Eric's was a 16-inch and the rest of us only had 12 inches."

RONA UPDATE: Yes, I'm back wearing my gossip hat. Vecchiarelli finally got his ring back from the

jewelers. Not in time to reward his sweetheart MICHELLE after the Comp victory, but he did slide it onto her finger on Monday night. Wedding bells will ring in July 1992. Congrats...

That tight end LLOYD CAMERON of Cathedral looks like he could be All-World. Big Number 86 didn't do too much in the game, though, but what a specimen. He was huge...CEDRIC LEE did get away for one touchdown, but he looked really good on defense. After MIKE BRIGGS had executed two QB draws to perfection, Lee sniffed out the third one and made a killer blow early in the third when Agawam still had a chance...

In the first half, Agawam had three fumbles (none lost), a high snap on the punt that gave Cathedral their first TD, and a missed connection on an extra point snap. When you have to do everything right to stay competitive in a football game, you can't have those blunders, especially against an emotional rival like Cathedral...

Representative MIKE WALSH was at the game. Man, he's a hard-working guy, eh? I saw him three times in the past week and all three at athletic events. He was discussing Question 3, though, with several young voters...

Agawam, trying to maintain late first half momentum, tried on onsides kick at the outset of the second half and they didn't recover. They did stick Cathedral that trip despite the good field position. The big defensive play on that series was turned in by TODD CHAMBERLAIN who stuck MILO BROWN on third down. One incompleting later, Agawam took over...

Greenfield and West Springfield both had their coaching staffs at the ballgame; both left early...Vecchiarelli looks for lots of counters and misdirection from Greenfield next week. He's excited and thinks that the Brownies can finish up with two wins. That would help the program a lot...

Mr. Cook, never draw to an inside straight...

BOW TO CATHEDRAL - from Page 51...

A quick check of the stats showed a most unusual set of first-half numbers. Agawam had run 29 offensive plays (including drives of 10 and 11 plays) while Cathedral had run only 12. Yes, numbers lie, and yes, Cathedral was definitely in charge. Scoring drives of two, three, and four plays can make numbers look like that.

The second half was even more unpleasant for the Agawam faithful. Cathedral coach Bill Wise dusted off receiver Keith Murphy and put him at tail for the Panthers. On their second possession of the half, Murphy ran exclusively behind his right guard and tackle for a touchdown. He carried the ball on five consecutive plays, culminating in a two-yard touchdown on a toss pass on the right side. 28-6.

Murphy concluded the scoring with a 36-yard dash with 7:02 to go in the ballgame.

Agawam next travels to Greenfield to face the 4-4 Green Wave next Saturday afternoon, November 10th. They close the campaign at West Side when Mom is making your turkey gravy. That will be a 10:00 a.m. start on the 22nd.

Western Mass. Soccer Club Holding Tryouts Nov. 18th

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JV Field Hockey Has Winning Season With 5-4-4 Mark In '90

Agawam High School's junior varsity field hockey team ended its season on Friday with a 1-0 win against Minnechaug. Agawam finished its season with a record of 5-4-4. Despite the fact that they are a young and inexperienced team, they all worked hard and pulled together as a team to achieve their best season ever.

The players that comprise this team are mainly freshmen and sophomores, with no more than two years experience in field hockey.

At forward positions are freshmen **Katie Poulos, Brenda Borkosky, Erin Mercolino, and Debbie Parslow.**

Also on the front line are three sophomores, **Shannon Hogan, Kelly Parker, and Danielle Parent.**

Supporting them are the midfield players, who have also proved to be strong on the offense. The wing positions are led by sophomores **Angela Nunziato, Nicole Frailey, Ashlie Joseph, and freshman Tiffany Maleshefski.** Freshman **Erin Pettazzoni** and **Jamie Lewis** share the center mid-position. Together, in any combination, these players have the potential to be a dominating force on the offensive lines in the future.

These are the girls who are primarily responsible for scoring the goals. However, an equally important part of the team are those girls who prevent the opposing teams from scoring goals. These girls make up the defensive line. At the half-back positions are sophomores **Joelle Baker, Lubna Yousef, Chris Ferrari, and Chris Lindsay.** Also at halfback are freshmen **Katie Berry and Kim Hayes.** The sweeper position is held by sophomore **Kristin Norgaard.** The goalie is freshman and first year player **Kerry Thompson.** Kerry did an outstanding job at goalie this season.

This season, goals were scored by **Brenda Borkosky, Angela Nunziato, Danielle Parent, Kelly Parker, and Katie Poulos.**

This year, the junior varsity was under the guidance of first year coach/Springfield College student Lisa O'Connor. Miss O'Connor said about her team, "Throughout the season, our junior varsity team played hard and gave it all they had. They showed the ability to pull together and work as a team to make their season a success. When things started to get tough during the season, these girls never gave up and they never quit. They truly displayed a sense of pride and sportsmanship throughout the season, that reflects what Agawam's field hockey program is all about."

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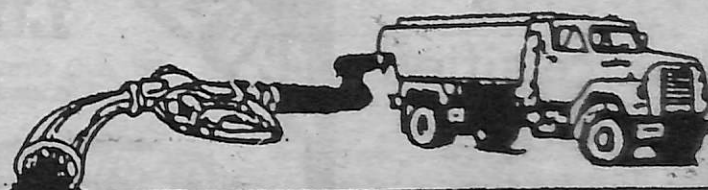
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Sportsmen's Corner

— By Bill Chiba —



When you stop to think about it, it is amazing how wild animals will adapt to the loss of their habitat and survive under radical circumstances.

Take the white tail deer in Massachusetts as an example. The building boom of the 1980's has taken away vast acres of food, woodland, and wetland where deer have flourished from the last century. Agawam, Southwick, Granville, and Westfield have shrunk drastically in open space needed by wildlife.

Normally, you would think that the wildlife would shrink in population relating to the available food supply. But the opposite is taking place. The proof of the pudding is the road kill of the many small animals and the mortality rate of deer in Agawam, Southwick, Westfield, and Granville on the highways. The deer and other wildlife are faring very well in the confines of the towns mentioned.

This is all right if the population of deer levels off and holds to food supply available. But if this is not the case, they over-populate naturally and then nature has to step in and drastically reduce the herd by disease and starvation. The animal lovers applaud Nature and say this is the way it should be. Is it?

This group of people place animals above humans and close their eyes to the drastic results of letting Nature take its normal way of reducing the herd. They ignore the fact that the animals are living among the townspeople and the animal diseases are in some cases lethal to human beings (if not lethal, very injurious to children and adults alike).

The best solution for controlling the deer herd is by management of the population growth. Most every state in the union has a Division of Fisheries and Wildlife supported with 98 percent of revenues coming from the sportsmen in the state. Hunting of deer has been found to be the most efficient method of controlling the herd. It is a sensible solution to utilize the natural resource provided by the deer. It is the least expensive, yet the most profitable to the division, for it receives the license for the activity.

This method of hunting is opposed by the "lovers" for they are opposed to the hunting of the animals. They would rather let the poor animals starve, get sick, and perish. They have stated that this is a humane way to solve the problem (and if this happens it will endanger the people in the communities where the over-population exists).

For example: The Crane Reservation in the eastern part of Massachusetts became overpopulated with deer a few years ago and the division wanted to open it to hunting to reduce the herd. The idea was fought bitterly by the "lovers" and stalled for a good 10 years.

A gentleman in the town next to the reservation was a leader who emotionally fought against the hunting of the deer. The deer tick spread and unknown to this gentleman, his little girl was infected by the tick. By the time it took to find out what her sickness was, she developed arthritis so bad that she can barely walk today, or hold a knife and fork, and is in pain constantly.

Her dad and she attended a meeting of environmentalist and outdoor writers in Worcester. Her dad spoke to the group: *"I was misled by a group of people who are very selfish, emotionally involved, and putting out untrue facts to gullible people like me."* There wasn't a dry eye in the room!!

The tick transfers to small animals (dogs, cats, skunks, possums, mice, squirrels, raccoons, etc.) It is a serious problem. If your child acts lifeless, or complains of toes, wrist, elbows, ankles hurting, headaches that she or he never had before (this also pertains to adults) take the child to a doctor. Don't brush the complaint off as "a child condition that will disappear in a couple of days."

Look for a circular rash with a hard white center. The tick could still be in the little hole in the center, if so, take it out very carefully with tweezers. Don't crush it. It could spread faster in the body.

I know that the above column is fearful and it should be taken in that vain. We have a battle on our hands.

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Sports A La Carte...

Maybe Iowa Should Be No. 1; Bills Are Best!

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Looking for some teams that might warrant some attention for Number One in College Football? How 'bout the Hawkeyes of Iowa?

These kids have gone to East Lansing and beaten Michigan State. They went to Ann Arbor in front of 105,000 and beat the Wolverines of Michigan. They went to Champaign, Illinois, last weekend and pulverized the Fighting Illini on national television. They have but one loss and that was to Miami in Florida early in the year. In that game, they were within three points in the fourth quarter.

They have a quarterback, MATT RODGERS, who knows how to win. He is former Celtics' coach JIMMY RODGERS' son. A personal note here: my first play-by-play job on the radio was Rodgers' Thanksgiving Day Football Game for Walpole (MA) against Framingham North. Rodgers was a sophomore in high school at the time and he threw for 300 yards in the first half against a once-beaten North squad.

He was unbelievable. He knows how to win. He has a 255-pound tailback named NICK BELL who runs a 4.55 40-yard dash. Bell ran for 130 first-quarter yards against Illinois. There defense leads the Big Ten in takeaways. And, living in Iowa for as long as I did, look for Iowa to tumble against Ohio State at Iowa City this weekend.

Still, they only have to win two of their final three to go to Pasadena against the Huskies on New Year's...

Bobby's kid is tearing up the league, eh? BRETT HULL had back-to-back hat tricks in NHL games last week for the Blues. Back-to-back hat tricks! I don't care who the competition is, that is one tough task. I wonder how many times that WAYNE GRETZKY did that...One bright note for the Pats has been kicker JASON STAROVSKY. 11-15 in the field goal department and he had only missed the long ones (57, 49, 52, 49). Remember how shaky he was in years past?...

Everybody wonders if JOHN ELWAY will right the ship and bring those Broncos back to the playoffs. Some think that BOOMER ESIASON will get the Bengals moving. There is some mid-season sentiment for the Dolphins because they have started so quickly. Raiders, Chiefs, Steelers? Nope—watch for the Bills to be in the Big One this January. Nobody is going to beat that team. Well, maybe the Giants or Niners, but nobody in the AFC...

You know what is weird for me? Trying to watch ROB RIVERA run around in number "51" for the Bears

this year. He has been wearing it for several years, actually. When I lived in the midwest, a man named DICK BUTKUS wore that number. It is politics, to be sure, but if there was ever a man who symbolized a team, it was Butkus.

There will never be another like him. It's crazy that anyone would accept the responsibility to wear it. It is akin to somebody wearing number "8" for the Sox, or number "4" for the Bruins, or number "33" for the Celtics...

Can't wait for the Notre Dame-Tennessee game this weekend. It has a chance to be the game of the year...Now why was I rooting for Georgia Tech to drop Virginia from Number One last weekend. May I do like seeing the same teams up there year after year; maybe I just didn't feel like they belonged; or maybe, just maybe, I was rooting for the underdog again. Now where did I learn that?...

BUD CARSON, now former Browns coach, was in the Dog House while standing in the DogPound last weekend. Now he is Dog-Gone. MR. MODELL said Bye-Bye after the 42-0 loss (worst in Browns history). It got so bad that NBC broke away and showed the nation a great finish to the Ram-Oiler game...Flashback: CITO GASTON (current Blue Jay manager) bats .318 with 29 homers and 93 RBI in 1970. For which team did he accomplish those feats? Answer in a minute...

Of all the New York Yankees on last year's roster, only DAVE LAPOINT lived in New York. He was the only one. DAVE WINFIELD and RICK CERONE lived in New Jersey. The rest of them are from here, there, and everywhere...Despite their recent problems, the University of Kentucky basketball program is still drawing mild interest in hoop-crazy Blue Grass country. They recently held a pre-season practice at midnight and 10,000 fans showed up, and they also received some corporate sponsorship...

It's a new gig, I guess. Now, for the card collector in your household, one company has come out with PRE-ROOKIE baseball cards! Can you believe it? I think I ought to get a card printed with my two-year-old son, BRADLEY, on it and save it for when he makes it to the majors. What a country...CITO GASTON performed for the San Diego Padres in 1970 and performed admirably, I might add...

With the election FINALLY behind us, Congressman JACK KEMP talks about the contrast with politics and football: *"In football, the enemy had numbers on and were out in front where you could see them. That's not always the case in politics."*...

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GIRLS UNDER 10				
	W	L	T	PTS.
Stevenson's Bombers	5	0	2	12
*Gervais' Cosmos	3	1	1	7
*Collins' Astros	2	3	0	4
LeClair's Hellions	1	4	2	4
Mullaney's Bluejays	1	4	1	3

GIRLS UNDER 12				
	W	L	T	PTS.
Serra's Stingers	8	1	2	18
Schutt's Hellions	8	2	1	17
Sexton's Astros	3	7	1	7
Lanier's Bombers	0	10	1	1

CO-ED UNDER 14				
	W	L	T	PTS.
Copson's Cosmos	6	0	1	13
Mouneimneh's Kickers	6	1	0	12
*DeBonville's Bombers	3	4	0	6
*Belisle's Astros	1	4	1	3
Jim & Tom's Hellions	0	7	0	0

CO-ED UNDER 17				
	W	L	T	PTS.
Phaneuf's Cosmos	8	0	1	17
*Knodler's Hellions	4	3	0	8
*Sheehan's Strikers	2	4	2	6
Bruyette's Bombers	1	7	1	3

NOTE: (*) Standings do not include all results of 11-3/11-4 weekend

MORE STANDINGS - Page 55...

Tri-Parish Bowlers Go To The Wire

Despite losing three times to Holy Cross, St. Michael (24½ wins) has regained first place in the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League with just one week remaining in Round One. Villanova, our leader last week, choked and fell hard to Loyola in a clean sweep, four games to none. Villanova checks in with 23½ wins, good for second place.

Also solidly in the running for the Round One title is third place Notre Dame (23½ wins), a team definitely on the rise, and fourth place St. Louis (23 wins).

Holy Cross (6th place-21 wins) definitely caused all types of problems for St. Mike's in week ten. HC was led by LISA ALLEN (292), college-boy JOHN LONCRINI (who launched a career-high 335-new Men's Class A high triple), and captain LARRY VIENS (356). Viens, the Men's Class AA leader, could even be rolling in the Men's Open Class (never mind the Men's Class AAA because he's having such a fine year -108.13). The only winner for St. Mike's was reliable RENEE JURY (299).

St. Mike's was missing veteran FRED MORASSI, who is sidelined due to illness. Subbing in good fashion for Morassi was LOU MASSOIA (308), but he was no match for the red-hot Viens.

Villanova really took it on the chin vs. Loyola. In grabbing four wins, Villanova was led by substitute ZEKE SICORD (314), CHRIS BUTOWSKI (277), STEP STEPANIAN (302), and captain STEVE ROVITHIS, who took no prisoners and took great joy in laying the iron to Villanova's stunned captain "Jungle" JIM BURLINGHAM, 342-308. Rovithis managed to beef-up his average to 106.23 in the Men's Open Class. He's been slipping lately but appeared to be back on the track vs. Villanova, much to "Jungle Jim's" chagrin.

Notre Dame, a team we have been predicting would be a force to be reckoned with before too long, continued its rise up the ladder by defeating Catholic University (10th place-17½ wins), three wins to one.

Winners for ND were TOM "Timber" BURR (293), tough ANN O'CONNELL (311), and captain FRANK "The Tank" MOCCIO (329). Moccio defeated the challenge of CU captain RICH SNYDER (315). "The Tank" is averaging 110.28 in the Men's Open Class, good for second place. The lonely CU winner was CHRIS STEPANIAN.

St. Louis moved dramatically into the Round One title picture by destroying St. Anselm (5th place-21½ wins) in a clean sweep. Coming into this match St. A's was looking pretty solid and were in real contention for the Round One title. No longer.

St. Lou was led by ESTHER DEPALO (276), JERRY "Let's Go Bowling" ALLEN JUNIOR (an enormous 353 in a substitute role), and captain LOU MULDER, who totally dominated St. A's rather distraught captain, BRIAN OSBORNE, 349-312. Mulder is the leader in Men's Class AAA at 107.25, and Osborne is third at 103.23. The only St. A's winner was lead-off ESTHER DEPALO (276). People were really wondering if "Let's Go Bowling" Allen had been eating his Wheaties this past summer.

Last year's Grand Champions, Fordham, will have to wait until Round Two to get back into the Grand Championships. Mired in seventh place (21 wins), Fordham took it on the chin against St. Mary's (9th place-18 wins), three wins to one. If Fordham had reversed this, they might still have had a chance at the Round One title.

St. Mary's was led by CAROLINE COELIN, JIM "MAC" MCNAMEE (305), and captain JOHN PROVOST (307). Provost barely defeated OLLIE MULDER (304), but it was still enough to earn bragging rights in the match. The only Fordham winner was lead-off STELLA BARBIERI (238).

In the final match of the night, the battle between two old rivals and former league powers, Boston College (11th place-14 wins) and Georgetown (last place-14 wins), resulted in GT taking three wins.

GT winners were VENETTA SNYDER (280), JERRY ALLEN SENIOR (270), and captain JOHN "The Hammer" O'CONNELL, 338-310 over DEBBIE POIRIER. The battle between the two top rollers in the entire league, "The Hammer" for the men at 117.14 and Debbie, at 106.3, was in intense one. But "The Hammer" had too much firepower for Debbie to handle on this night.

BC was led by KATHY BURLINGHAM (303), who ranks third in women's rolling at 99.27. BC's JANICE MOCCIO hit a 268 in just losing to Allen, Sr., and FRANK CERPOVICZ of GT hit a 296 in a losing effort to Kathy Burlingham.

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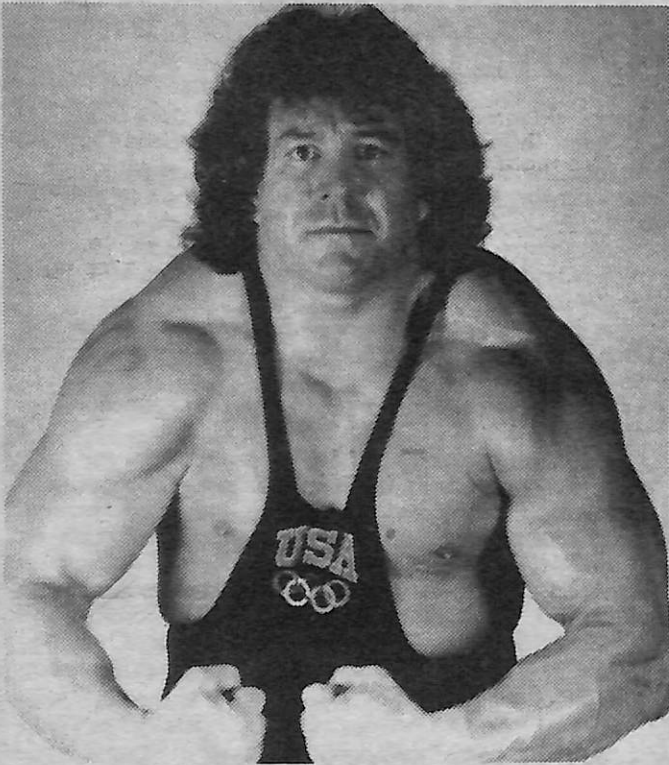
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In addition to the stars appearing, wrestling merchandise dealer tables will be set up for those interested in purchasing videotapes, photos, magazines, t-shirts, hats, and other items.

A full sized wrestling-ring will be set up with open pro-wrestling "tryouts," conducted by a well-known wrestling school, plus a mini theatre featuring rare footage of wrestling matches will be set-up throughout the day. Come dressed as your favorite wrestler and be eligible to win a prize. Also, you can have your picture taken in the ring. This is an event you won't want to miss!

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Leclair's Fire	9	1	1	19
Pearson's Rad Royals	7	2	3	17
Gaffney's Green Machine	6	3	2	14
Mullaney's Blue Bombers	4	6	1	9
Whitford's Hellions	2	4	4	8
Peltier's Devils	2	5	3	7
Chretien's Cosmos	0	9	2	2

BOYS UNDER 12

Martin's Mashers	4	2	2	10
McLean's Gladiators	3	1	3	9
Skowrya's Blue Eagles	3	2	2	8
Sexton's Devils	2	4	1	5
Kellogg's Hellions	1	4	2	4

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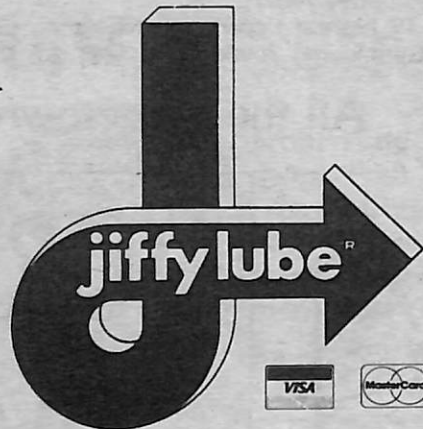
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Because Riverside Park Speedway is going to offer four divisions in 1991, it will need additional workers. These positions range from inspectors, pit stewards, scorers, scoreboard operators, ticket takers, pit sellers, announcers, starters, and many more.

Please realize that these positions are not high paying, and some are based on volunteer work. Some positions require a NASCAR license and training in EMT requirements.

These jobs will directly be a part of the 1991 Winston Racing Series that begins on March 23rd, 1991. Four Divisions of racing will be formatted starting at 6:00 p.m., with the pits opening at 12:00 noon. Action for the Strictly heats start at 4:00 p.m.

"I realize that this is out of the ordinary for a race track to send out an open invitation for workers, so many times people that work in racing go from one track to another. They can bring good habits or bad," said Dodge. "I want to see what type of interest is out there. I think desire is the most important thing. After all, if someone didn't give me this type of chance, I would probably be doing something else right now," Dodge said.

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The West Springfield Recreation Department is currently accepting registrations for their Aerobic Exercise Program under the direction of Debbie Nolin. This eight-week class is for individuals interested in cardiovascular conditioning as well as improving flexibility and body sculpting through the use of specific muscle-defining exercises.

This session will begin on November 12th and offer classes on Monday and Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and will be held at the Mittineague School in West Springfield. The cost of the program is \$45. Preregistration is required and may be done through the West Springfield Recreation Department. For further information, call 786-8061 or 781-7550.



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Over 1,000 Attend Riverside Speedway's 1990 Racing Banquet

"It was perhaps the largest attended pair of banquets in the NASCAR Winston Racing Series," said Bud Dodge Jr., director of Racing at Riverside Park Speedway.

A total of 1,000 people attended the Riverside Speedway functions to pay tribute to the 1990 Champions in all four divisions.

NASCAR Modified Tour Riverside Champion **Bob Polverari** (Bill Pelly), Pro Stock Champion **Jerry Marquis** (David Marquis), Late Model Champion **Tom Carey, Jr.** (Tom Carey, Sr.), and Strictly Stock Champion **Don Giguere** (same) were honored. This lavish event honored the top 10 owners and drivers, along with several other special awards. Both of these functions were attended by prominent corporate executive leaders that included NASCAR, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco, Pontiac Motorsports, Loctite-Permatex (Bran Smith), and Snap On Tools independent dealer representatives Fred Schofield and Jack Messermer. Also, Diamond Productions, ESPN, NESN, and Hightech Motorsports were also present.

On Friday, November 2nd a delicious prime rib dinner awaited teams of the Late Models and the Strictly Stock Divisions. After cocktails and dinner, **Tom Carey, Jr.**, was officially called the Late Model Champion. Carey was quick to thank his car owner and father, Tom Carey, Sr., Cliff Nelson Motorsports, Salem Motors, and his family members.

He also stated he would return for another title.

Among the other top 10 owners and drivers receiving awards were second place finisher Fred LaForge, Todd Anderson, Kevin Czarnecki, Gee Perry, Roger Charette, Gary Fiormonti, Bob Badura, Mike Quintalano, and Bob Skinger. All of the above car owners were equally honored with awards.

Don Giguere was also crowned the 1990 Riverside Park Speedway Strictly Stock Champion and was very deserving of the title. He credited the championship to his brother and girl friend. The top 10 owners and drivers were also honored and all received special awards. Second in the points was Chuck Alessio, followed by Jeff Connors, Gene McClean, Austin Jewitt, Deb Seller, Ed Haluch, Joe Czarnecki, Paul Dipisa, and Mitch Drenowski.

On Saturday, November 3rd, it was time to pay tribute to 1990 Riverside NASCAR Winston Racing Series Champion **Bob Polverari**. Polverari became the only five-time champion in the 45 years of racing at the park. Polverari drove the B.F.I./Swis Auto Glass/Prima Vera Pizza/Bill Pelly 711. The popular driver is a legend at Riverside and received a combined point fund check in excess of \$3,500 for the championship.

Second to 10th in the NASCAR Modified division went to Jerry Marquis (David Marquis), Stan Greger (Luther Hosner), Dan Avery (Porter Chester), Tom Bolles (Ed Bolles), Charles Pasteryak (C.C.P. Racing), Reggie Ruggiero (Mario Fiori), Chris Kopec (Charles McClean), John Zavisza (Rainbow Farms), and Richie Gallup (Guy Ronzoni).

Jerry Marquis was crowned the 1990 Pro Stock Division Champion. Jerry credited the championship to M.R.S. Mechanical Services, Valley Fish, his family, crew, and team.

Second went to the defending champion Mark Forino. Third was Blaine Belz (9D Romano), followed by Bobby Gee (Rainbow Express), Tom Fearn (Fearn Racing), Dan Avery (Porter Chester Ins.), Chris Kopec (Chip Chapin), Eddy Carroll (Riverside Motorsports), Mike Duquette (Matt Powers), and John Lobo, Jr. (Ron Doiron).

Special Awards were presented in all four divisions, that included "Rookie of the Year" winners—Ed Spiers, Ed D'Hondt, Tom Fearn, Mike Quintalano, Tim Smith, Dave Berube, and Austin Jewett; "Most Improved" included Chares Pasteryak, Richie Gallup, Bobby Gee, Blaine Belz, Ted Hebert, Fred LaForge, and Mitch Drenowski.

"Professionalism Awards" went to Bob Polverari, Jerry Marquis, Eddy Carroll III, Roger Charette, and Deb Sellers. "Best Appearing Awards" went to Stan Greger (28), Ed D'Hondt (9), Mark Forino (52), Tom Fearn (92), Roger Charette (71), J.D. Houghton (44), and Jeff Connors (0). "Hard Luck Awards" went to Ed D'Hondt, John Lobo Jr., Sonny Fiega, J.D. Houghton, and Larry Bouchard.

Among the most prestigious awards of the night was the "Gene Murphy Memorial Award" which was presented to Brad Hietala and Eric LeClair. The "Sue Dugan Memorial Award" was presented to Bruce Adams for being a dedicated official.

Dodge also talked about the 1991 season at Riverside. The track will open up on March 23rd and will run four NASCAR divisions every Saturday night at 6:00 p.m. until Labor Day. Ben also mentioned that 1990 was a difficult season for him personally and had not made any personal plans for the 1991 season. The evening then ended with lots of fun and dancing.

For a free color schedule, race poster, and much more, write Riverside Park Speedway, Box 307, Agawam, MA, 01001, Att. Ben Dodge, Jr.

Suf. Parks And Recreation Slates Ski Trip To Okemo

Suffield: The Suffield Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a Ski Trip to Okemo Mountain, Ludlow, Vermont, on Friday, December 28th.

The cost is \$54 per person which includes lift ticket and transportation. The bus will leave Suffield High School parking lot at 6:30 a.m. and depart Vermont at 4:15 p.m. to return home. Minimum age to participate in this trip unchaperoned is 15 years of age. Anyone under the age of 15 must be accompanied by an adult.

Full payment and registration must be received no later than Friday, December 7th, at the Parks and Recreation Department, 97 Mountain Road, 668-0237, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Our Agawam chapter of the N.Y.S.C.A. was established during the early fall. It is sponsored by the Agawam School Department, Agawam D.A.R.E. program, and Agawam Park and Recreation. The Chapter Director is Lou Conte.

The coaches volunteer certification covers the area of:

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The annual certification fee is \$15. The Agawam D.A.R.E. program has agreed to pay for the first year certification fee for all coaches who complete this program. The certification will go according to the sport the coach is involved with. The program being covered first will be basketball.

All meetings will be held at the Agawam Middle School cafeteria. If there is anyone who is interested but unable to attend, we can schedule a make-up time. If there are any questions, please contact Lou Conte, 786-7729. The meeting dates are Saturday, November 10th, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., and Saturday, November 17th, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., in the Agawam Middle School cafeteria.

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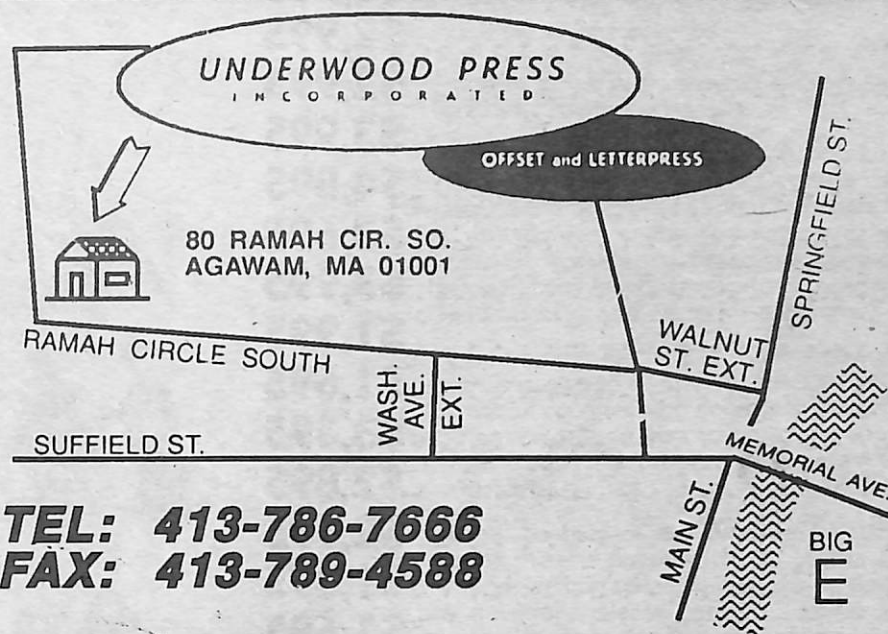
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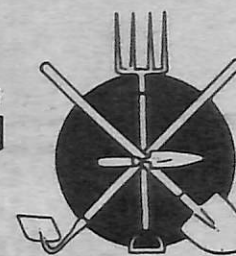
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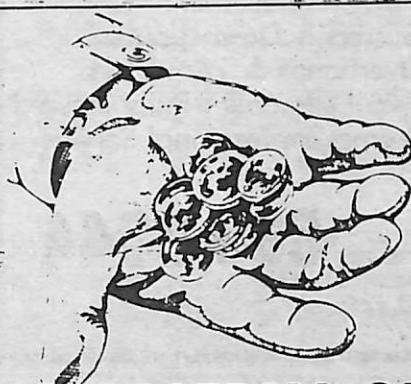
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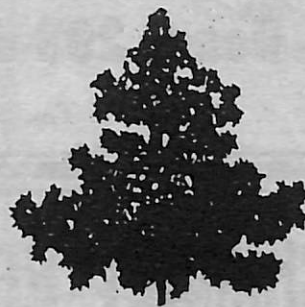
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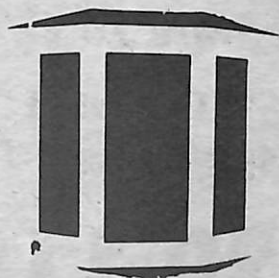
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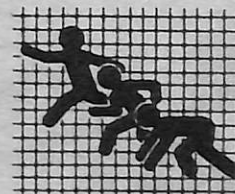
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